

Local Plan Tracker | Bedfordshire

May 2020

Regulation 18 – Public consultation

Regulation 19 – Publication of submission Local Plan

Regulation 22 – Submitted to Secretary of State

Regulation 24 – Examination

Approved / adopted





LOCAL AUTHORITY	CURRENT POSITION
Bedford	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Local Plan 2030 was adopted by full Council on 15th January 2020. - The Inspector advised that an immediate early review of the Local Plan should occur once it is adopted. - The new Local Development Scheme was agreed on 23rd April 2020 and sets out the timetable for preparation of a new Local Plan. - The Issues and Options Consultation will be taken to Bedford Borough Council's Executive on 24th June 2020, and is scheduled for July to September 2020; the Council has confirmed that this will include a 'Call for Sites' exercise. - The Draft Plan consultation is scheduled for May/June 2021, with the pre-submission (reg. 19 consultation) taking place in May 2022, and submission of the Local Plan scheduled for early 2023.
Central Bedfordshire	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Local Plan was submitted to government on 30th April 2018. - From January to April 2020 the Council will have addressed the points arising from the Inspectors' letter. - It is not known when hearing sessions will be reconvened; they had originally been scheduled for June/July 2020 but it is unclear what impacts to timescale the effects of COVID-19 will have but it appears likely that there will be some delay to the timetable.. - Following the hearing sessions there will be a further round of consultation. - The scheduled adoption date is currently scheduled for the end of December 2020 but this seems likely to be delayed for the reasons set out above. - The timetable is still to submit any updates to the Site Allocations to the Inspectors on the 30th April, however the Council cannot guarantee the timeline at this stage due to the current circumstances with COVID-19.
Luton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Luton Local Plan was adopted in November 2017. No further announcement has been made on preparation of a new Local Plan.

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