

WIRRAL LOCAL PLAN - NOTICE OF SUBMISSION TO SECRETARY OF STATE

PLANNING AND COMPULSORY PURCHASE ACT 2004

THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (LOCAL PLANNING) (ENGLAND) REGULATIONS 2012 (AS AMENDED)

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with regulation 22(3) of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended) ("the Regulations"), that Wirral Borough Council ("the Council") submitted the Wirral Local Plan to the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities on 26th October 2022 for independent examination.

The Wirral Local Plan sets out the Council's spatial policy framework for delivering sustainable development and represents the strategy the Council considers 'sound' and wishes to adopt so as to be part of the development Plan for the Borough.

The Local Plan submission documents can be viewed on the Council's website at www.wirral.gov.uk/lpexam

The submission documents include:

- Wirral Local Plan 2021-2037 Submission Draft May 2022;
- Wirral Local Plan 2021-2037 Submission Draft Policies Maps with Insets;
- Submission Sustainability Appraisal;
- Submission Habitats Regulations Assessment;
- Copies of representations made in accordance with Regulation 20; and
- Submission Consultation Statement Regulation 22

In accordance with Regulation 35(1)(a), printed copies of the submission documents including copies of the representations will be available for inspection at the following principal office:

- Birkenhead Central Library, Borough Road, Birkenhead CH41 2XB. Monday – Saturday 9am-1pm and 2pm-5pm.

Copies of the main submission documents (not including the representations) will also be available for inspection at the following libraries during their normal opening hours:

- Bebington Central Library, Civic Way, Bebington, CH63 7PN. Monday Saturday 9am-1pm and 2pm-5pm;
- Beechwood Library, 8 Beechwood Drive, Beechwood CH43 7ZU. Friday 9am-1pm and 2-5pm, Saturday 9am-1pm*;
- Eastham Library, Mill Park Drive, Eastham CH62 9AN. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 9am-1pm and 2pm-5pm, Saturday 9am-1pm*;
- Greasby Library, Greasby Road, Greasby, CH49 3AT. Monday, Thursday 9am-1pm and 2pm-5pm, Saturday 9am-1pm*;
- Heswall Library, Telegraph Rd, Heswall CH60 0AF. Tuesday and Friday 9am-1pm and 2pm-5pm, Saturday 9am-1pm*;



- Leasowe Library, Millennium Centre, Twickenham Drive, Leasowe CH46 1PQ. Monday 9am-1pm and 2pm-5pm;
- Moreton Library, Pasture Road, Moreton CH46 8SA. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 9am-1pm and 2pm-5pm, Saturday 9am-1pm*;
- Rock Ferry Library, 259 Old Chester Road, Rock Ferry CH42 3TD. Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 9am-1pm and 2pm-5pm, Saturday 9am-1pm*;
- Seacombe Library, adjacent Seacombe Children's Centre, St Pauls Road, Seacombe CH44 7AN. Tuesday and Thursday 9am-1pm and 2pm-5pm;
- St James Library, St James Centre, Laird Street, Birkenhead CH41 7AL. Monday and Thursday 9am-1pm and 2pm-5pm, Saturday 9am-1pm*;
- Upton Library, Ford Road, Upton CH49 0TB. Tuesday and Friday 9am-1pm and 2pm-5pm, Saturday 9am-1pm*;
- Wallasey Central Library, Earlston Road, Wallasey CH45 5DX. Monday Saturday 9am-1pm and 2pm-5pm; and
- West Kirby Library, The Concourse, West Kirby CH48 4HX. Monday Saturday 9am-1pm and 2pm-5pm.

*Saturday openings alternate. Please refer to up to date information on the Council's website for opening times: https://www.wirral.gov.uk/libraries-and-archives/find-library

Other evidence base documents that have been used to support the preparation of the Wirral Local Plan can be viewed on the Council's website at https://www.wirral.gov.uk/planning-and-building/local-plans-and-planning-policy/local-planning-evidence-and-research-reports-3

If you wish to view the above documents but are unable to visit the above premises or view the documents on-line, you may request from the Council a copy of any of the documents in accordance with Regulation 36. If you are in this position, please contact the Local Plan team on 0151 691 8235 to make alternative arrangements. Please note that a charge will be payable for paper copies of requested documents and you will be advised of the cost as part of your request.

The Wirral Local Plan will now be subject to an independent examination conducted by the Planning Inspectorate and administered by a dedicated Programme Officer. This is a continuous process running from the date of submission through to receipt of the appointed Planning Inspector's Report. Part of this process will involve hearing sessions where attendees will have the opportunity to respond to matters raised by the appointed Planning Inspector.

Those who made representations at the Publication stage will, if the Inspector deems it appropriate, be offered the opportunity to submit further material or take part in specific hearing sessions at their request and will be notified regarding the examination process by the Programme Officer.

The Programme Officer, Kerry Trueman, will act as the contact for any person who has an interest in the Examination and as a liaison between the Inspector, Council and Representors. She is an independent Officer of the Examination and works on behalf of the Planning Inspector to organise and manage the administrative and procedural



elements of the Examination process. All statements will also be submitted through her. Any matters that anyone wishes to raise with the Planning Inspector should be submitted via the Programme Officer. Contact details:

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Further information about the examination, along can be viewed on the Local Plan Examination page at www.wirral.gov.uk/lpexam

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