



Summer/autumn 2013

Partial Review of the Purbeck Local Plan Part 1 introductory fact sheet

Purbeck District Council adopted the Purbeck Local Plan Part 1 (PLP1) in November 2012. The council suggested to the Inspector, who was overseeing the examination, that it would like to explore the potential for higher housing growth in an immediate partial review.

The partial review will also incorporate work that was not included in the PLP1, for example:

- A review of settlement boundaries;
- A further review of the green belt to identify potential opportunities for growth;
- A review of town centre boundaries;
- Identifying employment sites and retail growth (linked to housing growth, if more is required); and
- A review of open spaces and recreation areas, identifying more where there is a shortfall.

If T/PCs would like to see some growth, PDC would like to hear about what they would like to see and where they might like to see it. We would be most grateful if the T/PC could give us an indication by **31st December 2013**.

- Timings for the partial review:
 - Currently evidence gathering
 - First round of public consultation on issues and options autumn 2014
 - Possible additional round of consultation, if required, in autumn 2015
 - PDC consult on final draft of the plan autumn 2016
 - Independent examination summer 2017
 - PDC adopts the plan autumn 2017
 - In between any consultation stages, if there are any significant changes potentially affecting a parish, PDC will arrange to meet with them.

Officers are happy to meet with T/PCs at any time for progress updates, or if there are any specific issues they might have.

PDC wrote to T/PCs on 28th August 2013 to draw their attention to the partial review and specifically asked T/PCs if they would like to respond to the following question:

What do you think are the key issues surrounding the sustainable development of Purbeck that the partial review of PLP1 should address?

To help answer this question, we have identified a number of issues that we consider the review will need to address:

- How the district's housing needs will be met
- Identifying the right locations for development in Purbeck
- Creating and maintaining locally distinctive and self reliant places
- Identifying areas of the green belt to safeguard for potential longer term growth
- Ensuring that settlement boundaries and town centre boundaries are clearly defined and robust
- Supporting the local economy and providing jobs
- Review of existing policies that are no longer in line with national policy
- Identifying enough retail growth to meet needs
- Work with rural landowners to prepare joined up plans for estates
- Provision of recreation space and other green infrastructure
- The approach to managing internationally protected designations
- Ensuring transport needs are met
- Identifying a town square for Upton

We recognise that the above list is not exhaustive and welcome your suggestions for other topics that the partial review should cover, as well as your views on whether or not you agree with the issues we have identified. We would appreciate a response by **31st December 2013**.

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