

Preferred Strategy – Have Your Say

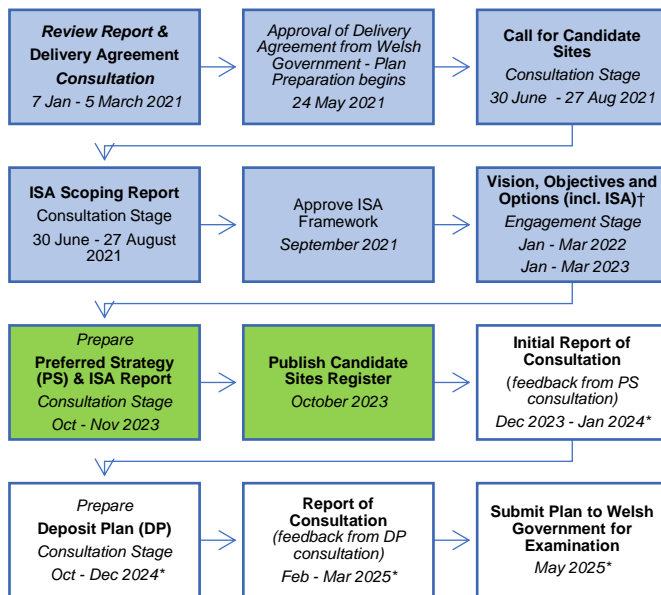
NEWPORT CITY COUNCIL REPLACEMENT LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN (UP TO 2036)

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Newport City Council (the Council) is preparing a Replacement Local Development Plan (RLDP) to cover the period 2021-2036 and when adopted this will replace the current Local Development Plan (LDP). The RLDP will contain policies and proposals which together will provide for the development needs and aspirations of the City as well as protecting and enhancing the social, cultural and environmental assets of Newport.

Where are we now?

The Council is in the very early stages of preparing the RLDP. The various stages and timescales are set out below (blue completed, green underway):



†The Delivery Agreement was updated in January 2023.
*Dates are Approximate

These stages and timescales are set out in further detail within the published Delivery Agreement. For more information about the RLDP please go to the Council's website at www.newport.gov.uk/RLDP.

Consultation on the RLDP Preferred Strategy

During early 2022, we asked for your views on the Vision, Issues and Objectives for the RLDP to take forward. During early 2023, we asked for your views on Growth and Spatial Options, which would form the basis of the RLDP strategy.

The feedback received from a range of interested parties has helped us to prepare a Preferred Strategy for the 2021-2036 period. We would now like you to provide views on the Preferred Strategy and are seeking comments on:

- ❖ The scale of homes, jobs and employment proposed
- ❖ The Key Sites and existing allocations identified to support growth
- ❖ The strategic policies making up the framework to support the delivery of the vision and objectives through new development in Newport

Consultation on the Initial Integrated Sustainability Appraisal (ISA) Report and Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) Screening Report

A number of technical assessments of the strategy are required by law. The ISA appraises the potential for positive and negative effects against a sustainability framework. It fulfils the requirements for:

- ❖ Sustainability Appraisal (SA) and Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)
- ❖ Equalities Impact Assessment (EqIA)
- ❖ Health Impact Assessment (HIA)
- ❖ Welsh Language Impact Assessment (WLIA)
- ❖ Well-being of Future Generations (WFG)

The HRA is an assessment of potential effects of protected European sites.

An Initial ISA Report and HRA Screening Report have been made available for comments and can be viewed alongside the Preferred Strategy.

Consultation on the Candidate Site Register

A first 'Call for Candidate Sites' was undertaken in 2021. Following this, the Council has prepared a Candidate Site Register (CSR) which is a record of the sites submitted to the Council. The CSR has been published alongside the Preferred Strategy and interested parties can make comments on the sites proposed to the Council. These comments will inform the next stages of assessing these sites. Further Candidate Sites can be proposed at this stage as well.

How can you get in touch?

You can view the consultation documents and supporting evidence [online](#) or in person at Newport Civic Centre (by appointment) or Newport Central Library.

The consultation will be live for **8 weeks from 25th October to 20th December 2023**. Comments received will be used to inform the preparation of the Deposit or 'full draft' RLDP. To respond to the consultation, you can:

Email:	Send the completed form via email to LDP.consultation@newport.gov.uk
Post:	Send the completed form to the Council, addressed as follows - Preferred Strategy Consultation Planning Policy Newport City Council Civic Centre Newport NP20 4UR
Contact details:	If you have any queries or would like to hear about future RLDP consultations, please contact the Planning Policy Team via Email: LDP.consultation@newport.gov.uk Phone: 01633 656 656

Preferred Strategy – FAQs

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What is the Replacement Local Development Plan (RLDP)?

The Replacement Local Development Plan (RLDP) is an important document which will contain policies and proposals to guide land use change in Newport over the period 2021 to 2036.

The RLDP forms the lowest tier of the “development plan” and will have to align with any adopted plans that sit above it, such as national policy contained in “Future Wales: the national plan 2040”.

The RLDP is being prepared in accordance with the Revised Delivery Agreement.

The aim is to adopt the Replacement Local Development Plan in early 2026.

How is the RLDP Prepared?

The LDP is prepared by the Local Planning Authority. There are a number of steps to preparing the Plan and different stages of consultation and involving people in its preparation.

Before starting work on the LDP, we produced a Delivery Agreement which sets out the LDP’s timetable and when and how people could get involved.

During the preparation of the LDP, we will build an evidence base to inform and support the Plan.

How is this different to the LDP?

Similar to the adopted Local Development Plan 2011-2026 (LDP), the RLDP will provide for the development needs and aspirations of the City as well as protecting and enhancing the social, cultural and environmental assets of Newport. However, the current LDP covers a 15-year timeframe 2011-2026 and as such the RLDP will look beyond this to the next 10 years.

The preparation of the adopted LDP followed the same process.

What is the Preferred Strategy?

The Preferred Strategy consultation paper is not the full draft RLDP, but contains some of the key aspects of the proposed RLDP. The purpose of consulting on a Preferred Strategy is to build consensus on some of these aspects of the RLDP and to enable interested parties to provide feedback on these prior to the preparation of the full draft plan, called the Deposit Plan.

In summary, the Preferred Strategy proposes to take forward a requirement for the RLDP to deliver 9,570 new homes and 8,640 new jobs. A number of existing allocations and commitments will support the delivery of this, however further Key Sites are proposed to the north and south of Langstone and to the east of Llanwern. A number of strategic policies

have been identified to support the delivery of the strategy, the vision and objectives of the RLDP.

When and where can I view the documents?

The consultation will be live for **8 weeks from 25th October to 20th December 2023**.

During this time, you will be able to view the consultation documents and supporting evidence at the Newport Central Library and Newport Civic Centre (by appointment) or online at www.newport.gov.uk/RLDP. Among these, is a summary document, which provides a shorter and simpler version of the main Preferred Strategy consultation document.

The Council will hold drop-in sessions and engagement events throughout the 8 weeks and further information relating to these can be found on the Council’s website at www.newport.gov.uk/RLDP.

How can I comment?

You can make a representation in writing, in English or Welsh, to the Council during the 8 week consultation period. These can be sent to:

LDP.Consultation@newport.gov.uk or

Planning Policy, Newport City Council, Civic Centre, Newport NP20 4UR.

Representations received after the 20th December 2023 will be treated as late representations and may not be considered further.

We recommend you use the comment form to answer the consultation questions. Please bear in mind that if you do not use the form, we may place your comment alongside the most relevant question when processing and analysing your representation.

What can I comment on?

The documents we welcome your views on are:

- ❖ Preferred Strategy Consultation Document
- ❖ Candidate Site Register
- ❖ Initial Integrated Sustainability Appraisal Report
- ❖ Habitats Regulations Assessment Screening Report

A number of supporting documents have also been published to support the consultation and outline the evidence that the Council has considered when preparing the Preferred Strategy.

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Can I comment on a Candidate Site?

Yes. The Candidate Site Register has been published alongside the Preferred Strategy.

You are able to provide comments in support or objection of these sites.

The Candidate Site Methodology and Initial Integrated Sustainability Appraisal Report outline how the Council will assess these sites and you may find it useful to refer to this when preparing your comments.

Are Candidate Sites allocated by the Candidate Site Register?

No. The Candidate Site Register is a record of the sites promoted to the Council for protection or development. At this stage, it outlines the conclusions from a Stage 1 sifting exercise.

The Candidate Site Register itself does not allocate land for development or designate land for protection, only a development plan can do this. In this case, the Replacement Local Development Plan will incorporate proposals associated with land identified in the Candidate Site Register for protection or development following the appropriate assessment processes.

What should I comment on?

The Preferred Strategy and deposit stages of RLDP preparation provide an opportunity for interested parties to comment on both the policies and sites proposed.

You may submit a representation / comment(s) requesting an amendment of allocation boundaries or propose the deletion or addition, of new sites.

All representations made should be supported by a planning rationale.

Will people be able to see my comments?

To show that the consultation was carried out properly, the Council intends to publish the responses to this consultation. The name of the person or organisation who sent the response will be published with the response. As such, we cannot accept anonymous comments.

Information will be held and published in accordance with the [Newport City Council Planning Policy Privacy Notice](#).

How will my comments be used?

The comments received will be considered as formal representations to the Preferred Strategy or other documents under consultation, informing the content of the full draft Plan / Deposit Plan. The Council will consider and analyse the comments made and will publish responses to these where

appropriate. Comments made on Candidate Sites will inform the detailed assessment process.

What happens next?

The next stage of the plan preparation process will be the 'Deposit' stage when the Deposit RLDP will be consulted upon and further representations sought.

It is currently anticipated that this will take place in Autumn 2024.