

Plan-it Bradford

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**Seasons Greetings
and a Happy New
Year to all our
readers from the
LDF Group!!**

Welcome to the fifth edition of **Plan-it Bradford**, the newsletter that keeps you up to date with the latest developments on the Local Development Framework and emerging planning policy in Bradford.

A Revised Plan for the Region Public Consultation

The Yorkshire and Humber Assembly is currently undertaking a review of the Plan, entitled "The Housing Challenge: Regional Spatial Strategy 2009 Update", to look at how the region can deal with the issue of housing growth to address its investment needs and strategic priorities.

The Assembly is consulting on Spatial Options for the 2009 Update. The consultation is open from 10th November 2008 to 30th January 2009. The Spatial Options asks questions about the scale of housing development we should be planning for and where in the long term this housing might be accommodated.

For more information and a copy of the Spatial Options, visit the Assembly website: www.yhassembly.gov.uk

Public consultation on the proposed Holme Wood Extension

Residents of Holme Wood and Tong were invited to a one day event at the TDF Centre in Holme Wood on the 29th November to air their views on the spatial options to extend housing development into the neighbouring Green Belt as part of the Further Issues and Options consultation for the Core Strategy.

Over 160 residents attended the event and were given the chance to talk to Planning Officers and Planning Aid staff about the proposal. Debates centred around a large aerial photograph of the area where people were encouraged to write comments on post-it notes and attach them on the map.

The Council will take on board all the comments received from the event together with those from the previous Further Issues and Options consultations in order to develop the upcoming Preferred Options document. We would like to thank everyone who has given their time to participate in the consultation and let us know their views during this process.



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Re-consultation on the Waste Management DPD – SA Scoping Report

The Waste Management Development Plan Document (DPD) will set out the Council's spatial strategy for dealing with waste within the district. It will identify waste management sites for dealing with the different streams of waste.

Further work on the Waste Management Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report is currently out for consultation from 12th December 2008 until 30th January 2009. This is a technical document that will influence how the authority manages waste in a sustainable manner both in now and the future. Details of this consultation can be found on the LDF website under 'Current Consultations'.

Bradford Council featured in new PAS Case Study

Bradford Council's Planning Service is featured in a new case study publication developed by the Planning Advisory Service (PAS) to support local authority planning departments to consider how best to 'mainstream' equality issues into everyday work.



The Councils work in producing a film on DVD as part of its consultation on the Bradford City Centre AAP is recognised as good practice, as well as its use of the Facebook group blog to engage with young people on city centre issues as part of the AAP consultation. Other areas work recognised by the new publication as good practice includes the approach of the Council's Planning and Economic Development Services department in working together to support and influence equality issues as part of discussions for a major retail distribution warehouse in a deprived part of the city.

The 'Equality and Diversity' Case Study by PAS can be viewed at: <http://www.pas.gov.uk/pas/core/page.do?pagelid=90217>

Annual Monitoring Report 2008

The LDF Group have published the 4th Annual Monitoring Report (AMR) and submitted a copy to the Government in December 2008.

The AMR is an annual document which reviews the progress made in preparing Local Development Documents (LDDs) and compares this with the targets and milestones set in the Local Development Scheme (LDS) over the preceding year. It also assesses the implementation of these policies against Core Output Indicators set by Government and local indicators set by the Council covering 10 main themes.

LDF Update

Scoping Stage/Coming Soon

- Allocations DPD
- Shipley and Canal Road Corridor Area Action Plan DPD
- Waste Management DPD
- Bradford District Affordable Housing SPD

Public Consultation Stage

- Bradford City Centre Area Action Plan DPD
- Waste DPD - SA Scoping Report

In Preparation

- Householder SPD
- Core Strategy - Working towards Preferred Options Stage

Independent Examination Stage

- None

Adoption

- Statement of Community Involvement (SCI)
- Bradford City Centre Affordable Housing SPD
- Bradford City Centre Design Guide SPD
- Landscape Character SPD
- Menston Housing Sites SPD
- Planning for Crime Prevention SPD
- Planning Obligations SPD
- Shopfront Design Guide SPD
- Sustainable Design Guide SPD

Local Development Scheme (LDS) – Real Time Information on Development Plan Documents

PPS12 not only requires that DPDs should be produced according to the timetable set out in the Local Development Scheme, but also that if there is slippage from the agreed timetable, local planning authorities should provide real time public information on progress.

In response to this, the Council will be providing real time public information on progress with the Development Plan Documents through the Councils Website and through this quarterly newsletter.

Evidence Base Update

It is essential that the work produced by the LDF Group is based upon an up-to-date and reliable evidence base. The list below indicates the studies that are currently being produced, by either the Council or external agencies, and the stage they are at:-

- **Bradford District Retail & Leisure Study** (*June 2008*)
- **Bradford Destination Tourism Strategy** (*Completed, 2008*)
- **Draft Settlement Study** (*Consultation: Early 2008; updating in progress*)
- **Conservation Area Assessments and Management Plans** (*Continual review*)
- **Employment Land Review** (*to be published Spring 2009*)
- **Gypsy & Traveller Accommodation Assessment** (*Completed May 2008*)
- **Local Housing Assessment** (*December 2007*)
- **Open Space Assessment** (*Completed 2007*)
- **Sports and Recreation Facilities Assessment** (*Completed February 2008*)
- **Strategic Flood Risk Assessment** (*Commenced November 2008*)
- **Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment** (*Commenced Autumn 2008, completion Summer 2009*)
- **Housing Requirements Study** (*July 2008*)

Core Strategy: Local Infrastructure Plan

The District is faced with identifying enough land for 50,000 new homes, plus land for employment to cater for population growth up until 2026. It is critical that infrastructure is provided and in place to support this growth.

The Council is currently in the process of preparing a Local Infrastructure Plan (LIP) and contacting key stakeholders to discuss their service and future provision. The document will look at each type of infrastructure (utilities, telecommunications, green and community infrastructure) and will indicate the key agencies/partners, their investment programmes, their infrastructure commitments and any key issues for the Core Strategy. This plan will support the Preferred Option document which is due out for consultation in early-mid 2009.

★ News Flash ★

New look LDF website

The LDF website revamp is now complete!! Have you seen it? The new simple structure should allow users to navigate the site more efficiently.

We have also set up a series of quick URL links to parts of our site which may be of some use to you, these are:-

Annual Monitoring Report
www.bradford.gov.uk/AMR

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Bradford City Centre Area Action Plan
www.bradford.gov.uk/BCCAAP

•
Core Strategy
www.bradford.gov.uk/corestrategy

•
Local Development Framework
www.bradford.gov.uk/LDF

•
Local Development Scheme
www.bradford.gov.uk/LDS

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Plan-it Bradford Newsletter
www.bradford.gov.uk/LDFnewsletter

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Regional Spatial Strategy (RSS)
www.bradford.gov.uk/RSS

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Replacement Unitary Development Plan
www.bradford.gov.uk/UDP

•
Statement of Community Involvement (SCI)
www.bradford.gov.uk/SCI

FEEDBACK...

If you have any comments or suggestions regarding the newsletter or our LDF website, please let us know. Simply email: ldf.consultation@bradford.gov.uk with your comments.

Further Information

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