

## Emma Higgins

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**From:** Simon Jones [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 07 February 2024 17:26  
**To:** Planning Policy  
**Cc:** Emma Higgins; Iain Cunningham  
**Subject:** Wilsden Neighbourhood Development Plan - Regulation 16

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Iain / Emma et al

Hope this finds you well – nice to have spoken last week at our usual LP meeting.

Many thanks for the consultation regarding the Neighbourhood Plan consultation for Wilsden.

Having reviewed the documentation via the links provided (and being mindful of the extensive Local Plan work we already undertake with the team), there is little formal comment to make at this point on behalf of the Secretary of State for Transport, and their primary interests.

It remains that any planned development already identified in the wider LP consultations for Bradford Council will have been accounted for in the consultations between National Highways and yourselves, and that the council has our extant comments for the current LP. This will obviously extend forward to the next plan period and the work we will be undertaking together, and should include for all the local parish council's own aspirations to be outlined in the neighbourhood plan documents you will receive. Should new developments be publicly forthcoming (which sit outside of the existing LP settlement plans i.e. new housing or employment sites), we would look to review these with the Council in the usual manner, and any supporting mitigation they may require.

The current consultation shows the wider aspirations of the neighbourhood plan in a positive light, and this is welcomed. The proximity of the SRN under my own jurisdiction extends from a distance more to the south east, namely the M606 and M62 corridors. As with all development within the Council boundary, it is expected that the aggregated impact of all neighbourhood plans will link to the growing congestion and impacts on the SRN which the Council will need to continue to address in their wider IDP proposal, to ensure a sound local plan infrastructure offering. At this time therefore, I will continue my work with yourselves to identify any specific sites which may have a significant impact to the continued safe operation of the Strategic Road Network, and furthermore ensure the Council then continues to ensure financial contributions are collected from developers to provide any necessary mitigation on the SRN.

National Highways will remain vigilant to the *aggregated* impact of all Local Parish Council aspirations, when determining our position on the Local Plan for Bradford and the cyclical PINs reviews of this, now, and in the future.

My kindest ongoing regards to yourselves and all at the Parish Council.

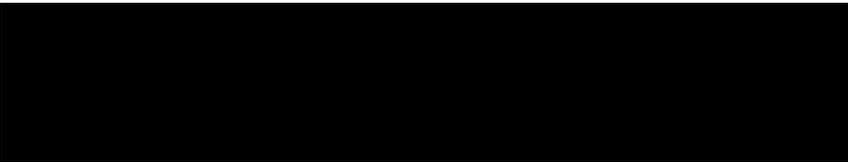
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**Latest DfT Adopted Town & Country Planning Links:**

**DfT Circular 01/2022**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/strategic-road-network-and-the-delivery-of-sustainable-development>

**Planning and the strategic road network in England:**

<https://nationalhighways.co.uk/our-roads/planning-and-the-strategic-road-network-in-england/>

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**From:** Planning Policy <Planning.Policy@bradford.gov.uk>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 6, 2024 2:56 PM  
**To:** Iain Cunningham [redacted]  
**Cc:** Emma Higgins [redacted]  
**Subject:** BST24619 Public Consultation - Wilsden Neighbourhood Development Plan - Regulation 16

Dear Sir or Madam,

Wilsden Parish Council has prepared a Neighbourhood Development Plan for their parish area in conjunction with the local community under the provisions of the Town & Country Planning Act 1990, the Localism Act 2011 and the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended). This plan has been the subject of community consultation and engagement, including two formal periods of consultation led by the Parish Council (under Regulation 14 of the 2012 Regulations). The proposed Neighbourhood Development Plan has been formally submitted to City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council as the plan that the Parish Council wish to see adopted for their parish, in order to allow formal consultation to be undertaken under Regulation 16 of the 2012 Regulations. If adopted, it will form part of the statutory development plan ('the Local Plan') for Bradford District and planning decisions will be made in accordance with it.

Accordingly, City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council has published the Wilsden Neighbourhood Development Plan and supporting documentation to allow formal representations on their contents.

**Wilsden Neighbourhood Development Plan**

The Wilsden Neighbourhood Development Plan (WNDP) sets out a vision for the future growth and development of the parish area, together with 9 objectives that seeks to deliver the vision. The vision and objectives are based upon the key issues raised by local people during earlier community engagement, and as part of the evidence gathering process, in order to ensure that Wilsden remains a vibrant, distinct, self-contained and forward-looking parish. To implement this vision and objectives, the plan contains 29 planning policies covering the following issues:

- Directing Development to Sustainable Locations;
- Housing Delivery;
- Built Heritage;
- Natural Environment;
- Business and Employment;
- Community Facilities;
- Shops and Shopping;
- Transport and Accessibility; and
- Developer Contributions.

The WNDP is also accompanied by a Design Code. This will together relevant national and local design policies and codes will inform decision making on planning applications within the Wilsden parish area.

### **Consultation Documents**

The Council is seeking comments from those who live, work or carry out business in Harden and beyond on the following documents:

- Wilsden Neighbourhood Development Plan
- Wilsden Neighbourhood Development Plan - Policies Map
- Wilsden Neighbourhood Development Plan - Design Code
- Basic Conditions Statement
- Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) and Habitat Regulations Assessment (HRA) Screening Report
- Statement of Consultation
- Supporting Evidence for Local Green Spaces
- Supporting Evidence for Housing Needs and Characteristics
- Supporting Evidence for Important Buildings and Important Structures
- Supporting Evidence for Important Views and Vistas

### **Document Availability**

The Wilsden Neighbourhood Development Plan and supporting documentation are available to view on the Council's [Wilsden Neighbourhood Plan webpage](#). It can also be viewed (and commented upon) via the Council's on-line [OpusConsult Portal](#).

Printed copies are available to view at the following locations:

- [CBMDC Customer Service Centre, Britannia House, Broadway, Bradford, BD1 1HX](#)
- [City Library, Centenary Square, Bradford, BD1 1SD](#)
- [Bingley Library, 5 Rise Shopping Centre, Bingley, BD21 3SX](#)
- [Wilsden Post Office, 112 Main Street, Wilsden, BD15 0AB](#)

### **Making Representations**

The consultation period runs for six weeks between **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February and Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2024**.

Representations should be received no later than **5pm on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2024**. Representations can be made in the following ways:

- **Online:** The preferred method to view and make comments is online using the Council's Consultation Portal at: <https://bradford.oc2.uk/document/50>. If you have not made comments previously through the Consultation Portal, registration is simple by visiting the website. For those who do not have access to the internet at home, the portal can be accessed via the public access [computers in the libraries across the District](#). Please contact the libraries to book or [book on-line](#).
- **Comment Forms:** These are available to view and download from the Council's website. They can be completed electronically or in writing and returned to the Local Plan Team by email: [planning.policy@bradford.gov.uk](mailto:planning.policy@bradford.gov.uk) or posted to Local Plan Team, Britannia House (4th Floor), Broadway, Bradford, BD1 1HX.

- **E-mail/Writing:** Representations can also be made via e-mail or in writing to the addresses outlined above. If replying by e-mail, please include “Wilsden Neighbourhood Development Plan” in the subject box.

Please note any comments you make will be made publicly available, alongside your name, and cannot be confidential.

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**Next Steps**

Once the consultation closes, the Wilsden Neighbourhood Development Plan, together with the supporting documentation and representations received, will be subject to an independent examination by a suitably qualified and experienced Examiner to determine whether the Plan meets the Basic Conditions and other legislative requirements. The Examiner will prepare a report and recommend whether or not the plan should proceed to a local referendum.

**Further Information**

If you require further information, please contact a member of the Local Plan Team by phone on (01274) 433679 or by e-mail to: [planning.policy@bradford.gov.uk](mailto:planning.policy@bradford.gov.uk)

Kind regards

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