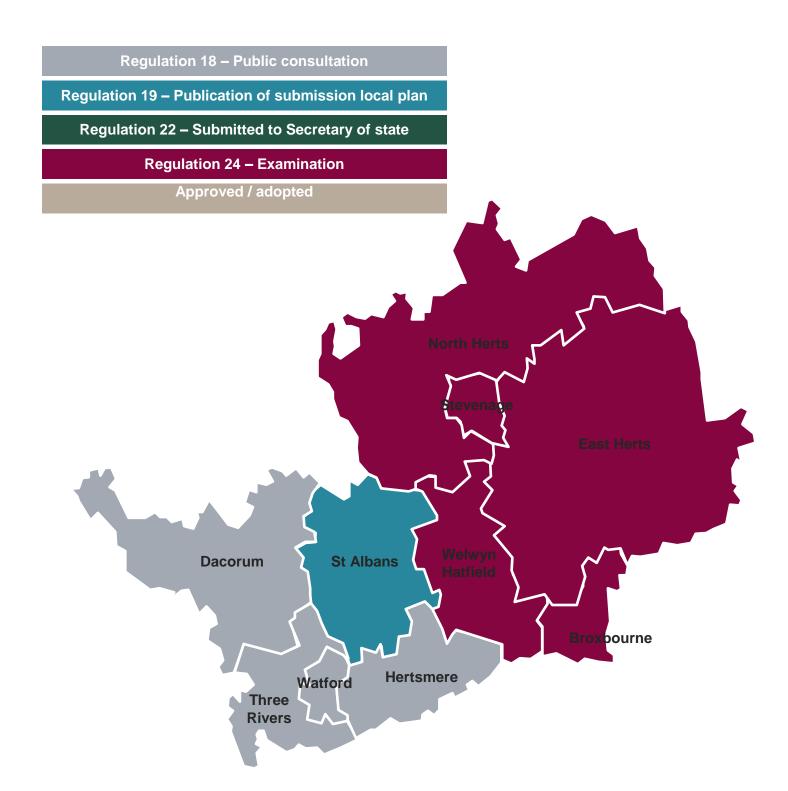


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## LOCAL AUTHORITY

### **CURRENT POSITION**

## **Broxbourne**

- The Pre-Submission Consultation (Regulation 19) ran until the 21st December 2017.
- The Local Plan was submitted to the Secretary of State for Independent Examination on 15<sup>th</sup> March 2018.
- Hearings Sessions commenced on the W/C 10<sup>th</sup> September 2018 and end on w/c 5<sup>th</sup> November 2018.
- On this basis, the Inspectors report should be available end of 2018 / early 2019 with adoption in the Spring of 2019.

#### **Dacorum**

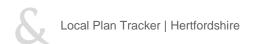
- Issues & Options Consultation took place from 1<sup>st</sup> November 2017 until 13<sup>th</sup> December 2017.
- Pre-Submission Plan was scheduled to be published in April 2018, however it has not yet been published.
- The new LDS was published in July 2018
- Publication of the proposed submission (Pre Submission) plan for representations (Reg. 19) was due for September 2019.
- Adoption is now anticipated for December 2020.

## **East Hertfordshire**

- The Local Plan was submitted for Examination in March 2017.
- The Examination took place between October 2017 and January 2018.
- Following receipt of the Inspector's Final Report on the Examination of the Plan, it was intended to adopted the Local Plan at an Extraordinary Council on 11<sup>th</sup> September, at which the Council will be asked to agree the adoption of the District Plan.
- A holding objection was issued on the same day by the Secretary of State following requests to call in the plan from some local Parish Councils, CPRE and the MP for Stevenage. This was based predominantly on objections to Green Belt release.
- The holding direction remains in place until withdrawn or the Secretary of State give a further direction under section 21 of the 2004 Act, to modify or call in the Plan.

# **North Hertfordshire**

- Emerging Local Plan was submitted for examination on the 9<sup>th</sup> June 2017.
- Hearing sessions took place in November 2017 and ended in March 2018.
- On 28<sup>th</sup> July 2018, the Inspector provided a note which stated that he is currently reviewing all the documentation provided by the Council in response to the actions to the issues which arose during the hearing sessions.
- Once he has completed his assessment, if additional work is required he will be asking
  the Council to provide this. But if none is needed the documents will be published and
  he will then invite representors to comment on any of the documents which relate to
  their Regulation 19 representation.
- The Inspectors report was expected at the middle / end of September 2018, but no further information is currently available.



#### St. Albans

- Regulation 18 Consultation on the emerging Local Plan took place in February 2018.
- Council on the 11 July 2018 approved a new Draft Local Plan for Publication
- Regulation 19 consultation is currently taking place scheduled from 4 September 17
   October 2018, in line with the published timetable.
- Adoption of the Plan is expected for Spring 2020.

## Welwyn Hatfield

- The emerging Local Plan was submitted for Examination in May 2017.
- The Secretary of State appointed Melvyn Middleton as the Inspector to carry out an independent examination of the New Local Plan
- Examination Hearing Sessions stage one and two were held between September and October 2017 with the stage three held on 20, 21 and 22 February 2018.
- Stage 4 Hearing Sessions took place on the 26<sup>th</sup> June 2018.
- Stage 5 of the hearing sessions are scheduled to take place in the Council Chamber at the Welwyn Hatfield Council offices on Tuesday 6 November and Wednesday 7 November (reserve day).
- These hearing sessions are to examine the Green Belt Study Stage 3 and will not include discussion of individual site allocations. Additional hearing sessions for site allocations will be arranged later in the examination.

## Stevenage

- The Local Plan was submitted for Examination in July 2016.
- The hearings took place during February 2017 to March 2017.
- The Inspector published a list of proposed main modifications to the submitted Plan.
- The Inspector's Report was published on the 17<sup>th</sup> October 2017. A holding direction was issued by the Secretary of State on the 13<sup>th</sup> November 2017, preventing adoption of the plan. There is no information currently available on when the direction may be lifted.

## Watford

- The Council are currently holding an Issues & Options consultation which will run until the 19th October 2018.
- The First Draft Local Plan is due for consultation in Autumn 2019.
- The Final Draft Local Plan is due for consultation in Summer 2020.
- Adoption of the plan is scheduled for Summer 2021.

## **Three Rivers**

- Issues & Options and Call for Sites Consultation took place from 28 July 2017 until 8
   September 2017.
- Given the publication of the new NPPF (2018), the Council undertook an additional Call for Sites. This ran until the 20<sup>th</sup> August 2018.
- Adoption of the plan is anticipated to be Mid-2020.



#### Hertsmere

- An Issues & Options consultation ran from September to November 2017.
- A consultation on the Sustainability Appraisal of the Issues and Options ran from March to May 2018.
- Full Council are soon to agree the steps to move forward, however this is not yet scheduled. This will not be described as the 'Preferred Options' plan but as a document containing details of all the sites that have been put forward by landowners / developers through the most recent Issues & Options consultation and the HELAA 'Call for Sites' as potential Housing and Employment sites.
- This document is intended for 'engagement' rather than formal consultation. This will be
  ongoing for several months, although specific dates have not yet been confirmed.
- The Council will look to agree their Pre-Submission Plan in Spring 2019.

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