

Framework



Welcome to Issue 52 of Framework, the newsletter that keeps you up to date with progress on the Local Plan and other planning policy matters in Pendle.

In this issue we focus on the neighbourhood plans prepared by Kelbrook & Sough Parish Council and Colne Town Council.

We also provide an update on progress with the new Local Plan for Pendle and housing land supply.

You will also find details of our new email address, which we are now using to send and receive all correspondence.

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Colne Neighbourhood Plan

Background

The [Colne Neighbourhood Plan](#) will help to influence the development and growth of the town up to 2030.

It has been prepared on behalf of the community by [Colne Town Council](#).

The Plan considers where new development should take place; what new buildings should look like; and what infrastructure (e.g. roads, schools) need to be provided, or upgraded, for this to happen in a sustainable way.



Public Consultation

Colne Town Council submitted the final draft of its Plan to Pendle Council on 8 August 2022.

Before it can be submitted for independent examination, the Plan and supporting evidence, including a new [Colne Design Code](#), must be made available for comment.

Government Regulations make clear that this is not an opportunity to influence the content of the plan. Instead it is a chance to say whether you think the Plan takes a reasonable approach to influencing future development in Colne.

All documents can be viewed, or downloaded from the [Pendle Council](#) or [Colne Town Council](#) websites. Paper

copies are available to view at the venues listed below during their normal opening hours:

- Colne Town Hall, Albert Road BB8 0AQ
- Colne Library, Market Street BB8 0AP
- Tubbs of Colne, Albert Road BB8 0AG
- Number One Market Street, Market Street, Nelson BB9 7LJ

Your comments should focus on whether the Plan meets the [basic conditions](#) and must be received by **5pm Monday 17 October 2022** or they cannot be taken into account.

They should be submitted in writing to:

Email: planningpolicy@pendle.gov.uk
Pendle Borough Council
Planning, Economic Development & Regulatory Services
Town Hall
Market Street
Nelson
BB9 7LG

What happens afterwards?

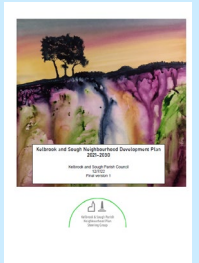
All comments are passed on to the Examiner appointed to conduct the independent examination of the Plan.

The Examiner may recommend minor changes to the Plan, so that it can meet the basic conditions. If Pendle Council agrees with this conclusion, it will organise a public referendum.

If a simple majority vote in favour of adopting the Plan at Referendum, the Plan will be used to help determine applications for planning permission within the neighbourhood area.

Kelbrook & Sough Neighbourhood Plan

On 12 July 2022 the independent examiner for the Kelbrook & Sough Neighbourhood Plan, Mr Andrew Ashcroft BA (Hons) M.A. DMS MRTPI [issued his report](#).



This concluded that subject to minor modifications the Plan, prepared by the Parish Council, met the [basic conditions](#) and should proceed to Referendum. The Council has reviewed the Examiner's Report and agrees with these findings. The Referendum will take place on **Thursday 27th October 2022**.

To be eligible to vote you must live in the parish of Kelbrook & Sough and be registered to vote.

Voting will be similar to that for Pendle Council elections.

A simple majority of the votes cast will see the Plan either adopted or rejected.

The Plan, together with documents relating to the Referendum, are available on the [Pendle Council website](#) and at the following locations, during their normal opening hours:

- Kelbrook & Sough Village Hall, Dotcliffe Road, Kelbrook BB18 6TQ
- Earby Library, Community Centre, New Road, Earby, Barnoldswick BB18 6XA
- Barnoldswick Library, Fern Lea Avenue, Barnoldswick BB18 5DW
- Number One Market Street, Market Street, Nelson BB9 7LJ

New Email Address

planningpolicy@pendle.gov.uk



We have a new email address for enquiries about the Local Plan and other planning policy matters in Pendle.

Emails sent to our old email address (ldf@pendle.gov.uk) will be re-directed to our new inbox for a short period of time, but please update your records at the earliest opportunity.

Our new email address will also be used to send out information to contacts on the planning policy database.

To avoid the possibility of our messages ending up in your junk mail or spam filter, you may wish to add our new email address to your trusted accounts.

Up to-date information on how to contact members of the Planning Policy team is always included on the back page of each [Framework newsletter](#) in the "How to Contact Us" feature.

Please keep in touch.

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Pendle Local Plan

The public consultation to consider the [Local Plan and Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Reports](#), and an updated [Statement of Community Involvement \(SCI\)](#) recently concluded.

We received over 80 representations by the deadline. The comments in these representations will influence the first draft of our new Local Plan, which we hope to make available for public consultation early next year.

The SCI, which shows how we will engage the community in the plan making process, will be considered for adoption at [Policy and Resources Committee on the 22 September 2022](#).

Call for Sites

The consultation also included a final Call for Sites.

A further ten sites were suggested as either having the potential for development up to 2040, or being in need of protection from inappropriate development.

These site submissions are now being reviewed and assessed.

Thank you to everyone who took the time to review the consultation documents and submit their comments.

Housing Land Supply

The deliverability of sites is determined by a combination of their availability, suitability and economic viability.

Next month we will be contacting the owners or promoters of sites, who have indicated that they have land that is capable of being developed for housing or employment.

The information will be used to update our Strategic Housing and Employment Land Availability Assessment (SHELAA). It will also help to inform the selection of sites to be allocated in the Local Plan.

The SHELAA is a key part of the Council's evidence base for housing and employment land supply.

National planning policy requires us to maintain a minimum five-year housing land supply, as part of efforts to boost housing delivery and home ownership.

To help us do this we will also be asking when those sites available for housing are considered to be capable of delivering new homes.

Only sites that are considered to be 'deliverable' within the next 5-years can be included on this list. [Last year, Pendle Council identified a 7.46 year housing land supply.](#)

Document Progress

This summary, based on our [Local Development Scheme \(LDS\)](#), shows the stage we have reached in preparing new planning policy documents.

Development Plan Documents	
Bradley Area Action Plan	4
Core Strategy	4
Pendle Local Plan: Fourth Edition	1
Neighbourhood Plans	
Trawden Forest	4
Barrowford	4
Kelbrook and Sough	3
Colne	3
Supplementary Planning Documents	
Conservation Area Design Guidance	4
Design Principles	4
Open Countryside & AONB	-
Brierfield Canal Corridor	4
Brierfield Railway Street Neighbourhood	4

- 1 Plan preparation and evidence gathering. Includes informal discussion with key stakeholders and other interested parties.
- 2 Formal public consultation to consider the first draft of the Plan. This is then amended to reflect the comments received.
- 3 Formal public consultation to consider the final draft of the Plan. The Plan is not amended before it is sent for independent examination. The Inspector or Examiner will consider both the Plan and any comments submitted at this stage. (Does not apply to SPDs).
- 4 Document formally adopted by Pendle Council.

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