Pendle Local Plan 4th Edition 2021 to 2040

In England the planning system is plan-led

The Government requires us to prepare a Local Plan that looks at our development needs for at least the next 15 years.

Our Local Plan must:

- Be in 'general conformity' with the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)
- Consider those matters that are important to our community, and which make it locally distinctive.

Without a Local Plan, planning applications may be decided at an appeal hearing and in accordance with national planning policy. This increases the risk that new development will fail to address the needs and aspirations of our community.





The Pendle Local Plan looks at our development needs up to 2040

It sets out:

- A vision for what we want Pendle to be like in 2040.
- How much development is needed for housing, employment and other uses.
- Where growth will take place and what new development should look like.
- Promotes good design to help:
 - address the climate emergency
 - enhance our quality of life
 - improve our health and wellbeing
 - provide a net gain for wildlife habitats and species (biodiversity)



The Local Plan also helps to ...

Protect the best of our natural and historic environment, so it can be enjoyed by future generations.

Promote the recycling of urban land to prevent encroachment into the Green Belt, which helps to ensure that our towns and villages do not merge into one another.

Prioritise the re-use of previously developed land (Brownfield sites) to help reduce the amount of construction on the fields at the edge of our towns and villages (Greenfield sites).



The policies in the Local Plan ...

Are used by our planning officers, to help them decide whether to approve, or refuse, applications for planning permission.

Provide applicants with information about the design features we expect to see in new developments – for example, making sure that traditional features are retained on buildings in our conservation areas.



Why do we want to hear from you?



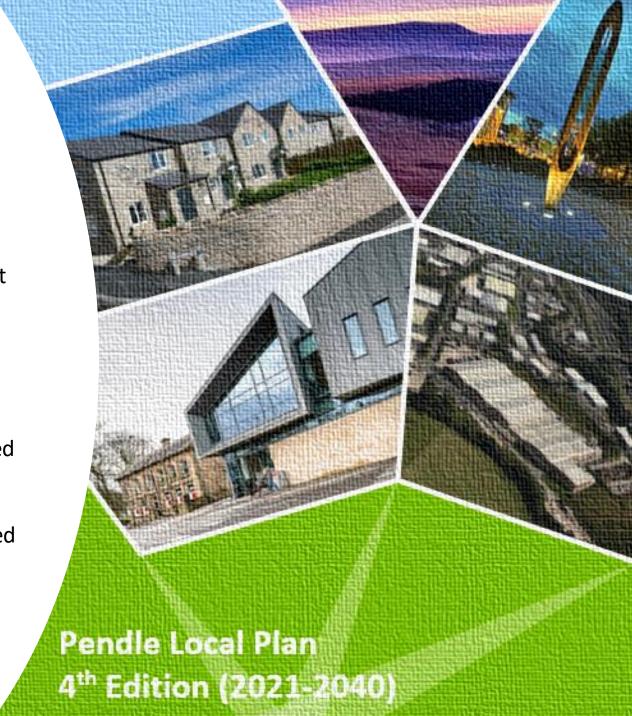
This is your Local Plan

We want it to:

- Improve the future for all our residents, and those who visit or work in Pendle.
- Deliver the type of development you want to see, in the right place and at the right time.

It will not be possible to have everything we want. We will need to make compromises along the way.

Your views will help us to deliver a Local Plan that is well-placed to meet your needs and expectations without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.



Have your say

The public consultation runs for eight weeks from:

9am Friday 23 June to 5pm Friday 18 August 2023

Further information

We will hold public drop-in sessions at venues across Pendle and host a series of online meetings throughout the consultation.

Copies of the first draft of our new Local Plan can be viewed on the Pendle Council website, or at public libraries and the offices of your local Parish or Town Council.

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