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No

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Respondent skipped this question

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Q4: What are the main issues relating to housing delivery, mix and affordability which the Local Plan (Part 2) should consider? The Local Plan (Part 2) will not be reviewing the number of new homes that is already identified in the adopted Joint Core Strategy.

There needs to be a mix, but the controls on HMO needs to be stricter. At various meetings I attend there are more negative comments on this area than any other. There seems to be more issues of ASBO, litter etc

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Q5: Do you think that we need sites that can deliver new homes more quickly, in the short to medium term?
Yes, but care should be taken about creating areas of one type of housing. Integration into existing areas would be better, so that we have a balance.

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Q6: Do you think that we need a mix of market housing e.g. family homes, housing for single households?
yes but see previous comments

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Q7: Do you think that we need a mix of affordable housing e.g. affordable rent, social rent, shared ownership, Starter Homes?

yes

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Q8: Is there evidence to support the Local Plan (Part 2) introducing the optional national housing technical standards in relation to access and space standards?

no comment

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Q9: Is there evidence to support the Local Plan (Part 2) introducing the optional national housing technical standards in relation to water efficiency standards?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q10: Are there particular sites that are not used currently for employment uses which you consider would be particularly suitable for new employment uses? The Local Plan (Part 2) will not be reviewing the jobs growth which is already set out in the adopted Joint Core Strategy.

Respondent skipped this question

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Q11: Outside of the Enterprise Zone, are there any other existing employment areas where opportunities could be improved and vacancy rates could be addressed? If so, how could this be achieved?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q12: Do you think there are any areas within the Borough where certain types of employment development are generally acceptable but which currently require planning permission, which could reasonably be dispensed with through the introduction of a Local Development Order?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q13: Please provide details of any particular infrastructure issues in relation to new development which you think the Local Plan (Part 2) should address, if possible providing evidence?  

Respondent skipped this question

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Q14: How do we ensure a successful town centre in light of changes to shopping habits such as increased use of out of town retail and on-line shopping? The Local Plan (Part 2) will not be reviewing the retail growth which is set out in the adopted Joint Core Strategy. Encourage more reasons for people to come to the town center for entertainment, that will increase use of restaurants etc

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Q15: Are there areas where the location of betting shops and hot food takeaways should be restricted? near schools, public houses, and residential areas

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Q16: Is there a need for the Local Plan (Part 2) to include a locally specific policy to protect and enhance areas of biodiversity in addition to the policies in the NPPF and Joint Core Strategy?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q17: Do you think there are priority areas where green infrastructure networks could be enhanced or extended?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q18: Is there a need for the Local Plan (Part 2) to include a locally specific policy to protect and enhance heritage in addition to the policies on the historic environment in the NPPF and the Joint Core Strategy?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q19: Should the Council review the list of locally listed assets of historical importance?

yes

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Q20: Do you think there are locally important landscapes which should be identified in the Local Plan (Part 2)?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q21: How do we ensure that new development preserves and enhances the character and appearance of the Borough and makes a positive contribution?

Public consultation before decisions are made

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Q22: Is there a need for the Local Plan (Part 2) to include a locally specific policy to promote measures within new development to address climate change and renewable energy in addition to the policies in the Joint Core Strategy?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q23: Should we review and incorporate existing Interim Planning Policy Guidance (e.g. Affordable Housing, Houses in Multiple Occupation, etc) into the Local Plan (Part 2)?

Yes HMO, see previous comments these tend to have a negative impact on the local area

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Q24: Are there any other issues that the Local Plan (Part 2) needs to consider?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q25: Flood Risk and Drainage (Policy 5) - is this policy still appropriate and up to date in relation to the Drainage Plan Part 1?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q26: Inner Ring Road (Policy 6) - is the proposal for the Inner Ring Road still appropriate and up-to-date?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q27: Safeguarded Public Transport Route (Policy 8) – is the proposal for a public transport / cycling / walking route still appropriate and up-to-date?  
Respondent skipped this question

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Q28: Pedestrian and Cycling Movement Network (Policy 9) – should this policy be updated to link to the County Council’s Smart Corridors initiative? Are the identified routes into and across the town centre still up-to-date?  
Respondent skipped this question

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Q29: Parking (Policy 10) – should the Council identify more car parks within the town centre and if so, where should they be?  
Respondent skipped this question

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Q30: Improving the Retail Offer (Policy 13) – this policy needs to be updated due to changes in Government policy such as the extension of permitted development rights. Do secondary frontages still need to be identified?  
Respondent skipped this question

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Q31: Meeting Retail Capacity (Policy 14) – do we need a more up-to-date retail capacity study to ensure that this policy is up-to-date?  
Respondent skipped this question

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Q32: Office and Business Uses (Policy 15) – this policy needs to be revised due to changes in Government policy. Should we identify land for new offices within the town centre? How should the Council seek to safeguard existing office space, especially in light of recent and proposed Government changes regarding permitted development rights?
more business activity should be encouraged in the town centre, non residential vacant buildings should have a priority for business use

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Q33: Do any of the site specific policies need updating? Please indicate which policies and provide details if possible (Policies 18-35).  
Respondent skipped this question
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Q34: Please provide details of any other policies in the Central Area Action Plan which you consider the Council should reassess to ensure that they are up-to-date, if possible providing evidence.  
Respondent skipped this question

PAGE 34: Consultation On The Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report

Q35: Do you have any comments on the Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report? (Please identify the page, paragraph number(s), table or appendix within the Scoping Report to which each of your comments applies).  
Respondent skipped this question

PAGE 35: Consultation On The Draft Statement Of Community Involvement

Q36: Do you have any comments on the Draft Statement of Community Involvement?  
Respondent skipped this question