

New Local Plan published for consultation

Guildford Borough Council have now published the updated local plan for a 'targeted consultation'. They are only asking for comments on the changes made since the last draft. These are highlighted in red in the document.

The main direct implications for Clandon are:

- A modest reduction in overall numbers 'within the planning period' with more houses accommodated in the urban area.
- Major housing developments at Gosden Hill and Wisley are still very much in on the original footprint.
- The Burnt Common site is back in the Plan for industrial use while Garlick's Arch stays in for housing and pitches for 'travelling show people' This and traffic pressure on Ripley from Wisley are used to justify new north facing Access Roads to A3 at Burnt Common which remain in.
- Land reserved for new Link road between A247 and Burpham as part of the Gosden Hill conditions

Guildford Borough highlights the following changes from the last draft

- **reduced total housing target by 1,400 units** until end of plan period in 2034
- **reduced housing need from 693 to 654 units per year**
- **sites removed completely from the plan – primarily for homes in rural areas** such as a large site in Normandy and Flexford for 1,100 residential units
- **updated sites with reduced numbers of homes during the plan period – primarily in green belt areas** such as Gosden Hill Farm and Blackwell Farm, with 300 fewer residential units at each site, due to phasing of delivery expected beyond 2034
- **updated sites with increased numbers of homes – primarily brownfield** in the town centre such as 200 more residential units on the North Street redevelopment
- **updated sites for student accommodation and Travelling Showpeople** – such as Guildford College changing from 100 homes to 200 student accommodation units instead and land at Garlick's Arch site that is now accommodating six Travelling Showpeople plots
- **new sites for employment floor space/industrial land** - such as land around Burnt Common warehouse is the new site for 7,000sqm of industrial land moved from the site at Garlick's Arch
- **new rail station at Guildford West, Park Barn** - is now included as a site allocation

The consultation comes to and end on 24th July after which a finalised version will be sent to the Planning Inspectorate who will consider the comments made in both this and the previous round of consultation.

The Parish Council will finalise its response after its meeting on 12th July. Further information will be posted on the website as it becomes available.

You can view the full text at <http://www.guildford.gov.uk/newlocalplan/>