

**Committee:** Local Plan Working Group

**Agenda Item**

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**Title:** Great Dunmow Neighbourhood Plan  
Consultation response

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### Summary

1. The attached documents are the Great Dunmow Pre-submission Neighbourhood Plan and the Council's response to the consultation which closes on the 20<sup>th</sup> October.

### Recommendations

2. Consider consultation response

### Financial Implications

3. None

### Background Papers

None

### Impact

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Communication/Consultation	The report has been available on the Housing Policy and Strategy page of the Council's website.
Community Safety	N/A
Equalities	N/A
Health and Safety	N/A
Human Rights/Legal Implications	N/A
Sustainability	N/A
Ward-specific impacts	Great Dunmow South and North
Workforce/Workplace	N/A

## Situation

5. This report is asking the LPWG to consider the Council's response to the public Pre-submission consultation on the Great Dunmow Neighbourhood Plan. The pre-submission document contains their preferred approach and all responses have to be received by the closing date of the 20 October.
6. A neighbourhood plan must:
  - a. Have appropriate regard to national policy and advice and guidance issued by the Secretary of State.
  - b. Be in general conformity with the strategic policies contained within the current adopted development plan,
  - c. Meet all EU and Human Rights obligations
7. It is important to remember that a neighbourhood plan is not tested against the policies in an emerging Local Plan although it should take them into consideration.
8. A number of changes have been suggested in our response, including the deletion of some policies which repeat Local Plan policies and/or National planning policies.
9. Once this stage of consultation is complete the Great Dunmow Neighbourhood Plan Group will read all the representations and make any changes they feel are needed. The Town Council will then submit the Plan to UDC for independent examination. At this stage UDC must satisfy itself that the Plan complies with all the relevant statutory requirements, if it does then UDC will publicise the Plan for six weeks and invite representations and send the Plan to independent examination.

## Risk Analysis

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Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Mitigating actions
The GDNP will not meet the basic conditions.	Low likelihood If UDC respond to this consultation.	High impact on planning policy as when adopted the GDNP will form part of the Local Plan.	Ensure that the consultation response is sent in by the closing date 20 October.

1 = Little or no risk or impact

2 = Some risk or impact – action may be necessary.

3 = Significant risk or impact – action required

4 = Near certainty of risk occurring, catastrophic effect or failure of project.