

## Chelmsford City Council

### Chelmsford Local Plan *Our Planning Strategy 2022 to 2041*

## Notice of Submission of the Chelmsford Local Plan to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government

### Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 & Regulation 22 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended)

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 and Regulation 22 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended), that Chelmsford City Council has submitted the Chelmsford Local Plan to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government on 5 June 2026 for Independent Examination by a government-appointed Planning Inspector.

The following submission documents will be available to inspect at the Council offices during normal opening hours (<https://www.chelmsford.gov.uk/your-council/contacting-us/opening-hours/>) at the main offices at Chelmsford Civic Centre, Duke Street, Chelmsford, Essex, CM1 1JE:

Submission Document Reference	Title
SD001	Pre Submission (Regulation 19) Local Plan Consultation Document (including Draft Policies Map)
SD002	Focused Consultation Additional Sites (Regulation 19) Document (including Draft Policies Map)
SD003	Regulation 22 Consultation Statement (June 2026)
SD004	Chelmsford Local Plan Statement of Cooperation (June 2026)
SD005	Schedule of Proposed Modifications (June 2026)
SD006	Local Plan Submission Notice (June 2026)
SD007	PINS Pre Examination Checklist (April 2026)
SD008	Pre Submission Integrated Impact Assessment (January 2025)
SD009	Integrated Impact Assessment: Additional Sites (Regulation 19) Addendum (November 2025)
SD010	Schedule of Representations - Pre-Submission Local Plan and Focused Consultation Additional Sites (Regulation 19) – By representor name order
SD011	Schedule of Representations - Pre-Submission Local Plan and Focused Consultation Additional Sites (Regulation 19) - By policy and paragraph order
SD012	Schedule of Representations - Pre-Submission IIA and Focused Consultation Additional Sites Addendum IIA – By representor order
SD013	Schedule of Representations - Pre-Submission IIA and Focused Consultation Additional Sites Addendum IIA – By document order
SD014	PINS Pre-Examination Checklist Response (April 2026)
SD015	Schedule of Adopted Policies Map Changes (May 2026)
SD016	List of background Evidence Base Documents (May 2026)
SD017	Submission Statement of Fact (June 2026)
SD018	Local Development Scheme 2025-2028 (October 2025)
SD019	Statement of Community Involvement 2025 (November 2025)
SD020	Chelmsford HRA Addendum (Clarification on Matters Raised by Natural England) (August 2025)

All Local Plan submission documents, supporting documents and evidence base can be viewed on the Council's Local Plan Examination webpage at: [www.chelmsford.gov.uk/lp-examination](http://www.chelmsford.gov.uk/lp-examination)

Furthermore, the Council will make any other relevant documents (the examination library) available for inspection at Council Offices by arrangement during normal opening hours.: [www.chelmsford.gov.uk/your-council/contacting-us/opening-hours/](http://www.chelmsford.gov.uk/your-council/contacting-us/opening-hours/)

The Chelmsford Local Plan will now be subject to an Independent Examination conducted by a Planning Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State. This is a continuous process running from the date of submission through to receipt of the appointed planning inspector's report. Once confirmed, details relating to the examination process will be advertised, made available online and sent to all those who responded to the Pre-Submission (Regulation 19) Local Plan Consultation and/or the Focused Consultation Additional Sites (Regulation 19) consultation.

### **Next Steps**

The examination process and timescales will be determined by the appointed Inspector. An independent Programme Officer has been appointed to assist the Inspector to organise and manage the administrative and procedural elements of the examination process and will be responsible for any communication with respondents during the examination.

The Council has appointed Annette Feeny as the Programme Officer to organise and administer the examination under the guidance of the appointed Inspector. The Programme Officer can be contacted at [Annette.feeny@chelmsford.gov.uk](mailto:Annette.feeny@chelmsford.gov.uk) or 07775 771026.

The Programme Officer will contact representors in due course, should they wish to submit further optional statement/s in response to the Inspector's questions, and also the option to request to take part in specific hearing sessions related to their comments. If representors made a written comment and do not want to say anything at a hearing, their further statement will still be considered by the Inspector. Equal weight is given to oral and written representations.