

Subject Cumberland Local Plan Issues and Options Consultation**From** Chris Hoban <Chris.Hoban@Cumberland.gov.uk>**To** Planning Policy <planningpolicy@cumberland.gov.uk>**Date** 01/09/2025 14:25

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Dear Town/Parish Clerk

Cumberland Council has launched its Issues and Options consultation for the Cumberland Local Plan. This is the first round of public consultation in the development of the new Local Plan for Cumberland and it is designed to gather initial information about what the issues and opportunities are across Cumberland to help inform future policies and strategies.

Issues and Options

There are two documents which are part of the consultation:

- The Issues and Options Main Document which consists of a large number of detailed questions on a series of different topics. There is also an Issues and Options Summary Document which is shorter and contains fewer, more general questions on the same topics. You can respond to whichever document you prefer and only need to answer the questions that you want to. (We will consider all responses to both documents equally).
- Sustainability Appraisal Draft Scoping Report – this is the first stage in the preparation of the Sustainability Appraisal process and outlines the proposed framework against which the potential impacts of the emerging Local Plan will be assessed.

The consultation relates to the areas of Cumberland which are outside the St. Cuthbert's Garden Village (Carlisle) and the Lake District National Park as these areas of Cumberland are covered by separate Local Plans (which can be viewed online at www.stcuthbertsgv.co.uk and www.lakedistrict.gov.uk/planning/planningpolicies/local-plan).

The Issues and Options consultation will run until **Friday 31st October 2025**.

More information on the consultation can be found online at: www.cumberland.gov.uk/planning-and-building-control/planning-policy/cumberland-local-plan.

We have created a poster advertising the Issues and Options consultation which is attached to this email. We would be grateful if you would print this and display it in your area and, if applicable, share on your social media account(s). If you would like a printed copy of the poster to display, please contact us on the details below and we can arrange to have one sent out.

Call for Sites

The Call for Sites process is still ongoing and will close on Sunday 4th January 2026; further information can be found online at: <https://consult.cumberland.gov.uk/cumberland-local-plan-call-for-sites>

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We will continue to notify you of all our Local Plan and wider planning policy updates and consultations. Please let us know if there is any other specific email address that you would like us to use for consultations or if you no longer wish to receive updates from Planning Policy.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind Regards

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