

TEST VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Draft Local Plan 2042

**Revised Regulation 18
Public Consultation**

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WHAT IS A LOCAL PLAN?

The Local Plan guides future development within the Test Valley area. It sets out planning policies to address our communities' needs e.g. the amount of housing and employment needed, and how we intend to deliver sustainable development.

The Local Plan is produced by us, in our role as the local planning authority, and must follow national guidance at each stage.

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

Local plans are important as they shape how places will change in the future. The Local Plan can play a key role in helping to deliver local priorities, such as those identified by our Four Year (Corporate) Plan 2023-2027.

The Local Plan will influence future changes within local communities including location of new homes across the borough. The Local Plan will set out the policies and principles by which planning decisions will be made and development undertaken, across the borough.

CHANGE IN GOVERNMENT POLICY

The Government published a revised National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) in December 2024, which came into effect immediately with a focus on delivering 1.5 million new homes nationally over this Parliament (between 2024 and 2029).

For Test Valley this has resulted in an increase to our housing requirement from 524 dwellings per year to minimum of 934 dwellings per year.

HOW MUCH DEVELOPMENT & WHERE ARE THE PROPOSED SITES?

We must now deliver 15,878 new homes over the next 17 years, as required by Government, which has led to some difficult decisions about where the new homes could be built. The focus of this consultation is on how the Council are seeking to deliver this number of new homes.

The proposed new developments are spread across the borough, including Andover and Romsey, as well as in our rural areas as set out below.

Site	Approximate Number of Homes	Parish
Land South of Ganger Farm, Romsey (SA4)	340	Romsey
Land South of the Bypass, Romsey (SA5)	110	Romsey
Land at Velmore Farm, Valley Park (SA6)	1070	Chilworth
Land at Ampfield Meadows, Ampfield (SA7)	44	Ampfield
Land at Upton Lane, Nursling (SA8)	80	Nursling and Rownhams
Halterworth, Romsey (SA18)	1070	Romsey
Land North of Highwood Lane, Romsey (SA19)	100	Romsey
Brentry Nursery, Romsey (SA20)	245	Romsey
Land at Packridge Farm, North Baddesley (SA21)	180	Nursling and Rownhams
Fields Farm, Rownhams (SA22)	100	Nursling and Rownhams
Land at Flexford Road, Valley Park (SA23)	200	Valley Park
Land adjacent to Hyde Farm, Broughton (SA24)	45	Broughton
Land West of Holbury Lane, Lockerley (SA25)	50	East Dean
Land West of Braishfield Road, Braishfield (SA26)	54	Braishfield

Site	Approximate Number of Homes	Parish
Land South of London Road, Andover (NA4)	90	Andover
Land at Manor Farm, North of Saxon Way, Andover (NA5)	900	Enham Alamein
Land at Bere Hill, Andover (NA6)	1400	Andover
Land East of Ludgershall (NA7)	350	Kimpton
Land South East of Ludgershall (NA8)	1363	Kimpton
Land at Finkley Down Farm, Andover (NA11)	1150	Andover
Land east of Smannell Lane, Andover (NA12)	200	Smannell
Land West of Andover (NA13)	200	Penton Mewsey
East of Hatherden Road, Charlton (NA14)	135	Charlton
Land at Danebury School, Stockbridge (NA15)	100	Longstock / Houghton
Expansion of Weyhill (NA16)	1,034	Amport / Fyfield
Land North of Streetway Road, Grateley Station and Palestine (NA17)	80	Grateley
Land west of Newbury Road, Enham Alamein (NA18)	100	Enham Alamein
Land South of Eastville, Appleshaw (NA19)	35	Appleshaw
Land at Bulberry Field, Duck Street, Abbots Ann (NA20)	60	Abbots Ann
North of Red Rice Road, Upper Clatford (NA21)	20	Upper Clatford
Land at Barrow Hill, Goodworth Clatford (NA22)	40	Goodworth Clatford
Land to the north-east of Thruxton (NA23)	80	Thruxton
Tennis Court Field, Barton Stacey (NA24)	20	Barton Stacey
Land to North East of Drove Road, Chilbolton (NA25)	65	Chilbolton

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HOW TO COMMENT

We are inviting and welcome comments on the Revised Regulation 18 Local Plan. Comments are invited during a 10-week period, which runs from **Friday 27 June to noon Friday 5 September 2025**

We are holding a series of exhibitions around the Borough near to the proposed sites. These are held at venues in Andover, Romsey, Stockbridge, Wellow, Weyhill, Valley Park, North Baddesley, Nursling & Rownhams, Ludgershall, Grateley, Barton Stacey, Upper Clatford and Broughton. Details can be found on our website.

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For this consultation we are using an online platform for submitting comments, this is where you can also view the draft local plan and all supporting documents

Comments can also be submitted in writing to the Planning Policy and Economic Development Service via:

Email: planningpolicy@testvalley.gov.uk

Post: Planning Policy and Economic Development,
Test Valley Borough Council,
Beech Hurst, Weyhill Road,
ANDOVER
SP10 3AJ

WHAT ARE WE CONSULTING ON?

We have already undertaken several stages of public consultation. We are now undertaking public consultation on the draft Local Plan 2042 Revised Regulation 18.

This is a focussed consultation on how the Council are seeking to meet its need for new homes. This includes identification of site allocations and explaining consequential impacts on matters such as employment needs and local gaps. All other matters remain as in the previous Regulation 18 Stage 2 draft Local Plan.

NEXT STEPS

Once this Revised Regulation 18 consultation is complete we will consider all consultation comments and make any necessary changes to the draft plan.

Spring/Summer 2026:

Final Draft Local Plan (Regulation 19) – Public consultation on the final draft Local Plan.

Autumn 2026:

Submission of the final draft of the Local Plan to the Secretary of State for independent examination.

Winter / Spring 2027:

Examination in Public conducted by an appointed Planning Inspector.

Autumn 2027:

Anticipated Adoption date of the Local Plan.