

Simple guide to commenting on the Blaby Local Plan

Comments, also known as representations, can be made on the Blaby Local Plan until 12 noon on Monday 24 August 2026. When an independent planning inspector examines the Plan they will also review all comments received.

Comments will be published on the Blaby District Council website before being sent to the inspector, along with the name of the individual or organisation who has submitted them. This means that comments cannot be submitted anonymously.

No other personal information, including email addresses, home addresses or telephone numbers, will be made public.

Anyone suggesting changes to the Plan can ask to speak during an examination hearing. Written comments and those made during a hearing are treated equally and will be given the same importance by an inspector.

Documents can be made available in an alternative format or translated on request.

If you have any questions about the process please email planning.policy@blaby.gov.uk or call 0116 275 0555.

How to comment

All comments must be made using our form.

The quickest and easiest way to comment is to use the online form available at www.blaby.gov.uk/local-plan

If you are unable to use the online form, you can request a Word version by calling 0116 275 0555. Completed forms should be returned by email to planning.policy@blaby.gov.uk or by post to Development Strategy, Blaby District Council, Council Offices, Desford Road, Narborough LE19 2EP.

Making your comments

All comments need to relate to specific parts of [the Plan](#). When completing the form you will need to say which part of the Plan your comment relates to.

You will be asked specific questions about that part of the Plan:

- Do you consider this part of the Plan legally compliant?
- Do you consider this part of the Plan sound?

See below for what these terms mean.

If you think that part of the Plan is not legally compliant, or sound, you should tell us how you think the Plan should be changed. Where possible please provide evidence to support your comments.

Legally Compliant

Legally compliant means that:

The Plan is listed in a published [Local Development Scheme](#). The steps included in the scheme must have been followed when creating the Local Plan.

The community has been involved in creating the Local Plan, in the way set out in the [Statement of Community Involvement](#).

A [sustainability appraisal](#) has been published with the Plan; this looks at how the Plan was developed if other options were considered and whether it supports environmental, economic and social goals.

The Plan meets all other legal requirements including:

- [Town and Country Planning \(England\) Regulations 2012](#)
- [Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act](#)

Sound

A sound Plan is:

- Positively prepared – it should set out how the District's future needs will be met, and should take account of any agreements with nearby councils and their unmet needs
- Justified – it should be based on evidence
- Effective – it should be achievable during the Plan period and should be based on joint working with neighbouring councils and organisations
- Consistent with national policy – it should support sustainable development and follow [national planning policy](#)

If you think the Plan is not sound because it does not include a policy about a particular topic, you should only make a comment if:

- The topic is not already covered by national planning policy
- The topic is not covered by another policy in this Plan

If the topic is not already covered, explain why this makes the Plan unsound. Where you think a new policy is needed, outline what it should say.