



Stroud District Council is starting the process of reviewing the current Local Plan. This consultation is seeking views about the range of issues that the next Local Plan will need to tackle, and options for addressing them. This includes the identification of potential areas for growth and development. We ask a series of questions throughout the consultation document (each of which is numbered). Please refer to the question number and/or topic in your response, where relevant.

As an alternative to using this form, you can give us your question responses via our online survey at www.stroud.gov.uk/localplanreview. You will also find the main consultation document on this web page, as well as some supporting material and further reading. **Please note: there is a separate form for you to fill out if your comment relates specifically to a site submission / proposed alternative site (Local Plan Review: Call for Sites).**

The consultation closes on Tuesday 5th December 2017. Please email completed electronic responses to local.plan@stroud.gov.uk or post paper copies to Local Plan Review, The Planning Strategy Team, Stroud District Council, Ebley Mill, Westward Road, Stroud, GL5 4UB. Should you have any queries, the Planning Strategy Team can be contacted on 01453 754143.

Consultation response form PART A

Your details

Thank you for taking part. Please fill out your personal information in PART A. Your contact details will not be made public and won't be used for any purpose other than this consultation. We will not accept anonymous responses. Your comments may be summarised when we report the findings of this consultation.

Your name

(title):	[REDACTED]	name:	[REDACTED]
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Your company name or organisation (if applicable)

Your address (optional)

Your email address *

Your phone number (optional)

If you are acting on behalf of a client, please supply the following details:

Your client's name

(title):	[REDACTED]	name:	[REDACTED]
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Your client's company or organisation (if applicable)

Keeping you updated:

Would you like to be notified of future progress on the Local Plan review? (* we will do this via email)

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| i) | When the findings from this consultation are made public | Yes please | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No thanks | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| ii) | The next formal round of public consultation | Yes please | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No thanks | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| iii) | No further contact please | | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |

Consultation response form PART B:

If you have several different comments to make, you may wish to use a separate PART B sheet for each one (although you do not have to). If you use multiple PART B sheets, please make sure you fill in your name on each of them (you only have to fill out PART A once, as long as it is clearly attached to your PART B sheets when you submit the forms to us).

Your name

Your organisation or company

Your client's name/organisation
(if applicable)

The consultation is seeking views about whether the big issues identified within this paper are the right things to focus on and what options exist for tackling them. Are there other issues, options or opportunities that have been missed? **Please note: there is a separate form for you to fill out if your comment relates specifically to a site submission / proposed alternative site (download a copy of the sites form at www.stroud.gov.uk/localplanreview).**

We ask a series of questions (highlighted in pink boxes) throughout the consultation paper. Each of the questions is numbered. Please can you reference the question number(s) and/or the topic here:

Question number: 2.4 local Open ^{Green} spaces

Please use this box to set out your comments:

(Attach additional sheets of paper or expand this box if you need to)

2.6 - please see attached sheet

Re. Local Plan Review 2017

Section 2.4 Local Green Spaces & Community Facilities

Question 2:b

As a frequent visitor to my parents in Stroud, I have come to value highly the green spaces in this area. Open green spaces are very important to the wellbeing of everyone and vital to the many species of wildlife that inhabit them.

Therefore, I respectfully request that a District Wide Policy is put into the Local Plan going forward regarding the designation of Local Green Spaces.

One area I am particularly concerned about is the area known as Baxters' Fields, to the north of Summer Street, Stroud, which is constantly coming under threat from opportunistic developers. This area is iconic for its' beautiful landscape and its' literary connections to the late Laurie Lee and is popular not only with locals, but with tourists from far and wide.

I therefore urge you please to designate this area as, at least, Local Green Space. Ideally I believe it should be incorporated wholly into the AONB, rather than just being within the setting of the AONB, as the line between is totally indistinguishable.

This area is believed to be the darkest valley in the district and forms an important ecological niche, with many protected species using it for foraging and roosting purposes. Most importantly there are Annex 2 European Protected Bat Species known to inhabit this area.

Thank you.

