



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.

You can download a PDF or an editable electronic copy of this form from our website 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): <input type="text"/>	name: <input type="text"/>
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Your company name or organisation (if applicable)

SGS Commerical Services Ltd

Your address (optional)

Gloucestershire Science and Technology Park, Berkeley Green, Berkeley. GL13 9FB

Your email address *

<input type="text"/>

Your phone number (optional)

<input type="text"/>

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

Your client's name

(title): <input type="text"/>	name: <input type="text"/>
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Your client's company or organisation (if applicable)

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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 checked="" 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: 3.4, 4.1, Berkeley Cluster

Please use this box to set out your comments:

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

3.3a Investment should be made into Cam station. It should be specifically identified as a key piece of sustainable transport infrastructure for the south of the area. Its high levels of use are only limited by the facilities provided. There is significant opportunity to use the facility to further reduce traffic movements across the region.

Road access from the A38 towards Berkeley needs to be upgraded and improved to facilitate future growth and ensure road safety. In particular the road from Berkeley to GSTP needs attention given to street lighting, cycle lanes and pavement maintenance, issues which apply to most roads in the area which are required to provide a safe environment for non car users. Signage from the M5, A38 and more minor routes, also requires attention.

3.4 Whilst the current hierarchy based approach is logical in theory, in practice we consider this to be more difficult. There are limitations in terms of traffic, physical land availability and services within the Tier 1 towns which will prevent growth. Some Tier 2 towns should have the ability to contribute to jobs and homes at more than the suggested 'modest' level. Homes and jobs co-located in and around these towns could also help to reduce car movements across the district.

Berkeley Cluster

We do not agree or understand why Berkeley is singled out as having a "very limited strategic role" a comment not made in connection with other similar sized Tier 2 towns.

Gloucestershire Science and Technology Park is not identified as an important employment and education site with potential for growth and should be. The wider "south of area plan" shows only Berkeley Green UTC and should show the umbrella term Gloucestershire Science and Technology Park, which contains UTC, SGS College, Cyber Security Centre and various business occupiers. The plan should also have regard to the potential for the adjacent Former Nuclear Power Station site, still in decommissioning, to be redeveloped for employment uses



during the life of the next plan.

Such employment sites will be key in providing jobs and education for the expected significant growth in housing within the wider Berkeley cluster area.

SGS CS Ltd are supportive of plans for growth in terms of housing within the cluster. We believe the additional housing numbers between Berkeley and Newton provides opportunities for a sustainable cycle based community in the Berkeley cluster.

4.1 Additional studies around tourism in the district are badly needed with limited baseline information currently available. The Gloucestershire Tourism Survey shows Stroud area under performing and more investment is required to bring the benefits of tourist spend into the area.

There should be a move to create a Berkeley Vale area identity for tourism marketing. This would enable Berkeley, Berkeley Castle, Cattle Country, Sharpness, wider Canal environs, River Severn access points, Slimbridge, Frampton and Saul to create a combined offer to pull tourist spend into the county.