

Notice of Local Plan Scoping Consultation – in accordance with Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended) The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2026 (regulations 20 and 45)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Local Plan Scoping Consultation commences on Wednesday 9 September 2026 and closes on Wednesday 30 September 2026.

The new plan will be called ‘The Bristol Local Plan 2045’ and will incorporate a Minerals and Waste plan.

During this period the Council is inviting representations on:

- i. such matters relevant to the preparation of the local plan as the authority considers appropriate, including what the plan should contain, and
- ii. how the authority should engage consultees in the preparation of the Local Plan

To respond to the Scoping Consultation and to read supporting information, please go to:

<https://www.bristol.gov.uk/ask/find-consultation-engagement/consultation-engagement?id=309>.

Copies of the supporting information are also available to view at the Council’s City Hall College Green and Bristol Central library during normal office opening hours.

Representations should be submitted via the standard response form or by email: blp@bristol.gov.uk, or in writing to: Planning Policy, City Hall, College Green, Bristol BS1 5TR.

Representations on the Local Plan Scoping Consultation must be received by the Council no later than 30 September 2026.

In line with regulation 20 (and corresponding regulation 45) of The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2026, representations made to the Scoping Consultation may be accompanied by a request to be notified at a specified address when one of the following steps occur:

- I. the making available of proposed local plan content and evidence under [regulation 23\(1\)\(b\)](#) (consultation on proposed local plan content and evidence);
- II. the publication of observations or advice under section 15CA(5) of the Act;
- III. the making available of the proposed local plan submission documents under [regulation 27\(1\)\(b\)](#) (consultation on the proposed local plan);

- IV. the submission of the proposed local plan to the Secretary of State for independent examination under section 15D(1) of the Act;
- V. the making available of the matters specified in [regulation 35\(2\)](#) in accordance with [regulation 35\(1\)\(a\)](#) (independent examination: local plans);
- VI. a decision of the examiner under section 15D(7) of the Act that the examination under that section is to be paused under section 15DA of the Act for further work to be carried out;
- VII. the publication under section 15DA(7) of the Act of the document and any evidence which is sent to the examiner under section 15DA(6);
- VIII. the publication of the recommendations and reasons of the examiner received under section 15D or section 15DA of the Act, in accordance with section 15D(13) or section 15DA(10);
- IX. the adoption or approval of the local plan under Part 2 of the Act.

If you have any questions or further information regarding the consultation, or would like to be notified for future plan-making milestones (see [Timetable](#)), please contact the Planning Policy Team email: blp@bristol.gov.uk