

LONDON BOROUGH OF WANDSWORTH

Wandsworth Local Plan 2023-2038 – Adoption Statement

The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended) (Regulations 17, 26 and 35) Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended)

The new Wandsworth Local Plan was adopted on 19 July 2023. This sets out a 15-year strategic vision, objectives and the spatial strategy as well as the planning policies and site allocations that will guide future development of the borough. The Plan looks ahead to 2038 and identifies where the main developments will take place, and how places within the borough will change, or be protected from change, over that period. The main role of the Plan is to guide decision-making on individual planning applications.

The Local Plan was submitted to the Secretary of State on 29 April 2022 and examined by independent Inspectors. Examination in Public hearings took place during November 2022. The Inspectors' final report on the Examination into the Wandsworth Local Plan was issued to the Council on 23 June 2023. The Inspectors' Report concludes that subject to the Main Modifications set out in the Appendix to the Report, the Wandsworth Local Plan 2023-2038 satisfies the requirements of Section 20(5) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 and meets the criteria for soundness as set out in the National Planning Policy Framework. The Plan is therefore capable of adoption.

The Wandsworth Local Plan 2023-2038 incorporates all of the Main Modifications and Policy Map changes that the Inspectors considered necessary to make the Plan sound and/or legally compliant. These were subject to public consultation between 3 February 2023 to 17 March 2023. A number of Additional Modifications were also included as necessary technical, factual, grammatical and typographical corrections that do not materially affect the policies in the Plan. Schedules setting out the Main Modifications and Additional Modifications are available at: www.wandsworth.gov.uk/draft-local-plan-examination

Any person aggrieved by the adoption of the Local Plan may make an application to the High Court under Section 113 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended). Any challenge must be made on the grounds that:

- (a) the document is not within the appropriate power; and/or
- (b) a procedural requirement has not been complied with.

Any such application must be made promptly, and in any event, no later than the end of the period of six weeks after the date of this notice. The six-week period commences on 19 July 2023 and concludes on 31 August 2023.

Copies of the new Wandsworth Local Plan, the Sustainability Appraisal Report, the Inspectors' Final Report and this Adoption Statement are available:

- On the Council's website www.wandsworth.gov.uk/draft-local-plan-examination
- For public inspection at the Town Hall, Wandsworth High Street, SW18 2PU and in the Borough's main libraries (locations and opening times are available on the Council's website at www.wandsworth.gov.uk/libraries).

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