

Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004  
The Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes (Wales) Regulations 2004  
The Town and Country Planning (Local Development Plan) (Wales) Regulations  
2005 (Regulation 17)

**Notice of Deposit of Proposals for a Local Development Plan**

**Carmarthenshire Local Development Plan**

Carmarthenshire County Council has prepared Local Development Plan (LDP) documents for the above plan. The LDP will, upon adoption, replace the current development plan and form the basis for decisions on land use planning for the County of Carmarthenshire (excluding that area covered by the Brecon Beacons National Park).

The LDP documents include the deposit LDP, the Sustainability Appraisal Report (which incorporates the Strategic Environmental Assessment), an initial Statement of Consultation and other supporting documents including the Habitat Regulations Assessment.

The Plan is available for inspection on the Council's website at [www.carmarthenshire.gov.uk](http://www.carmarthenshire.gov.uk) from the 22nd June 2011. Printed copies of the documents will be available for public inspection from the 6th July 2011 in compliance with the statutory 6 week consultation period at all public libraries in the County and at the following Council offices between the hours of 8.45am and 5.00pm Monday to Thursday and 8.45am to 4.30pm on Fridays:

- Customer Service Centre, 3 Spilman Street, Carmarthen;
- Customer Service Centre, Tŷ Elwyn, Llanelli;
- Customer Service Centre, Town Hall, Ammanford;
- Planning Services, 40 Spilman Street, Carmarthen;
- Planning Services, Municipal Offices, Crescent Road, Llandeilo.

Copies are also available for purchase from Planning Services, Carmarthenshire County Council, 40 Spilman Street, Carmarthen.

Background evidence and other supporting documents which have contributed to the preparation of the LDP are also available to view on the Council's website.

Representations in respect of the proposals should be sent in writing to: The Forward Planning Manager, Planning Services, Department of Regeneration and Leisure, 40 Spilman Street, Carmarthen SA31 1LQ. They can also be sent on-line, or by e-mail to [forward.planning@carmarthenshire.gov.uk](mailto:forward.planning@carmarthenshire.gov.uk).

Representations should specify the matters to which they relate. Objections should also specify the change sought, the grounds on which they are made and the test(s) of soundness to which they relate (see below). A form for making representations is available from the above address or on-line at [www.carmarthenshire.gov.uk](http://www.carmarthenshire.gov.uk). Representations in relation to the Sustainability Appraisal report and the Habitat Regulations Assessment should also be made using the representation form and returned as per those with regards to the Deposit LDP.

Representations must be received no later than **4:30pm** on the **19<sup>th</sup> August 2011**.

All representations received will be made available for public inspection and a report summarising the responses received will be published on the Council's website.

The deposit LDP will be considered by an independent Inspector who will assess whether it is 'sound'. There are a number of tests of soundness and these can be found in the guidance notes which accompany the questionnaire for making representations and on the Council's website at [www.carmarthenshire.gov.uk](http://www.carmarthenshire.gov.uk). Objections to the deposit LDP should make reference to these tests wherever possible.

Any representation to the deposit LDP proposing a new or extended site for development or one that proposes to incorporate a site rejected by the Authority should include information on the site's compatibility with the plan's Sustainability Appraisal, the Habitat Regulations Assessment and community involvement. The Authority has prepared guidance on the work required by the proponent for alternative sites presented in response to this consultation, and has made the Authority's baseline data and assessment methodology available on its website. An alternative site which has not been subject to sustainability appraisal is unlikely to be considered suitable for allocation in the Plan by the Inspector.

Representations may also be accompanied by a request to be notified at a specified e-mail or postal address of the next stage of the LDP and/or that the LDP has been submitted to the Welsh Assembly Government for independent examination and/or of the Adoption of the LDP.

The Council cannot change the deposit LDP at this stage but it can decide whether it is in favour of any changes proposed. The Council may additionally propose 'focussed changes' to the LDP which would be advertised accordingly.

Representations made in accordance with this notice (i.e. 'duly made') will be considered by an independent Inspector appointed to examine the soundness of the plan.

Only those making representations seeking to change the deposit LDP (i.e. objectors) whose representations were 'duly made' have the right to appear before and be heard by the Inspector at the Examination in Public (Section 64 (6) of the 2004 Act.).

Further information is available through the Council's website at [www.carmarthenshire.gov.uk](http://www.carmarthenshire.gov.uk) and from the Forward Planning Section, 40 Spilman Street, Carmarthen, by e-mail: [forward.planning@carmarthenshire.gov.uk](mailto:forward.planning@carmarthenshire.gov.uk) or Tel. 01267 228818.

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