



TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT (LOCAL PLANNING) (ENGLAND) REGULATIONS 2012 – AS AMENDED

REGULATION 18 CONSULTATION NOTICE REVIEW OF THE NEW FOREST NATIONAL PARK LOCAL PLAN

The New Forest National Park Authority (NPA) is reviewing its adopted Local Plan (2019), which guides decisions on planning applications within the National Park area and helps to deliver the statutory Park purposes. The NPA considers a revised Local Plan is necessary to ensure the National Park is covered by an up-to-date local policy framework that complies with the Government's National Planning Policy Framework (December 2024).

Pursuant to Regulation 18 of the Town and Country Planning Act (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended), the NPA is required to notify consultees and interested parties about the subject of the Local Plan and invite them to make representations about what a Local Plan ought to contain.

The consultation period runs from 4 February to 18 March 2025. The New Forest National Park Local Plan Review 'Direction of Travel' document sets out the scope of the review and invites feedback. This document and other supporting information – including the 'Call for Sites' process we are running concurrently – is available for inspection at our office at Lymington Town Hall, Avenue Road, Lymington, SO41 9ZG during normal office hours; and on the NPA website at www.newforestnpa.gov.uk/LocalPlan2025

As part of the consultation we are holding the following public drop-in events across the National Park to enable people to find out more about the Local Plan review.

- Bramshaw Village Hall, SO43 7JE Monday 24 February, 2pm – 7pm
- Hyde Memorial Hall, SP6 2HU Tuesday 25 February, 1.30pm – 6.30pm
- Brockenhurst Village Hall, SO42 7RY Monday 3 March, 2pm – 7pm
- Lyndhurst Community Centre, SO43 7NY Friday 7 March 2pm – 7pm

Representations on the Local Plan Review 'Direction of Travel' document and submissions to the 'Call for Sites' process should be made during the six-week consultation period:

- Online via the response form available on the NPA website
- By email to policy@newforestnpa.gov.uk
- By post to Policy Team, New Forest National Park Authority, Lymington Town Hall, Avenue Road, Lymington, SO41 9ZG

Representations received will inform the preparation of a draft revised New Forest National Park Local Plan, due to be published for further consultation in late 2025.