



**Bedford Borough Council – Local Plan 2035
Consultation Paper
Response Form**

Please use this form to respond to the questions raised in the Local Plan 2035 Consultation Paper. It should be read alongside the consultation paper and technical documents referred to; copies of the documents are available to view on the Council’s website at www.bedford.gov.uk/localplan2035 or in hardcopy at our Customer Service Centre (at 2 Horne Lane, Bedford MK40 1RA) and all libraries in the borough during normal opening hours. Documents are also available at Rushden, St Neots, Biggleswade and Flitwick libraries outside of the borough.

Please send your response electronically if possible or as a WORD document via email to planningforthefuture@bedford.gov.uk.

Alternatively responses can be sent by post. Please attach a stamp and send to:

Bedford Borough Council,
Local Plan 2035 consultation,
Planning Policy Team,
Borough Hall,
Bedford, MK42 9AP

PLEASE DO NOT SUBMIT COMMENTS IN MORE THAN ONE FORMAT OR SEND TO MORE THAN ONE EMAIL ADDRESS. If you have submitted comments electronically you do not need to print and post them.

All responses (electronic and paper) must be received by 5pm on Friday 9 June 2017.

Your contact information will be kept on the Planning Policy database so that we can keep you up to date about this and other planning policy documents. We do not share contact details with other parts of the Council or other organisations. If you do not want your details to be retained (which would mean no further updates from us about the Local Plan 2035) please let us know by sending an email to planningpolicy@bedford.gov.uk.

All responses will be made public.

CONTACT DETAILS

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If you are using an agent, who would you prefer any correspondence to go to?

(Please mark X one box only)

Contact agent

Contact client

Contact both

Your interest (Please mark X one box only)

Land owner

Resident

Consultant

Agent

Other

Please specify 'Other' (please write in)

QUESTIONS

1a) Do you agree or disagree that one or more of the four new settlement proposals should form part of the development strategy? (Please mark X one box only)

Agree

Disagree

1b) If you disagree, the 2,200 dwellings identified for new settlement(s) as part of the preferred strategy will need to be provided elsewhere: where should the development go instead? (Please write in)

2a) Do you agree or disagree that the brownfield site opportunity at Stewartby brickworks should form part of the preferred development strategy? (Please mark X one box only)

Agree

Disagree

2b) If not, the 1,000 dwellings proposed at Stewartby Brickworks as part of the preferred strategy will need to be provided elsewhere: where should the development go instead?
(Please write in)

3a) Do you agree or disagree with the principle that all suitable and available sites in and on the edge of the urban area should be allocated? Currently this amounts to 1,988 dwellings. (Please mark X one box only)

Agree Disagree

3b) If you think that not all of this should be allocated for development where should the development go instead? (Please write in)

4a) Do you agree or disagree with the proposed allocation of urban and edge of urban sites listed in table 1 and table 3? (Please mark X one box only)

Agree Disagree

4b) Are there any sites which you think should not be allocated or any other sites which you think should be allocated and why? (Please write in)

5a) Do you agree or disagree with the amount of development identified for the Group 1 villages as part of the preferred development strategy (2,600 dwellings)? (Please mark X one box only)

Agree Disagree

5b) If not, should the amount be higher or lower, what should the number be and how should the strategy change as a result? (Please write in)

6a) Do you agree or disagree with the list of potential development sites in each Group 1 village (tables 4 – 8)? (Please mark X one box only)

Agree Disagree

6b) Which sites in Group 1 villages would you prefer to see allocated and why? Which of the options do you prefer and why? Are there other combinations of sites? (Please write in)

7a) Do you agree or disagree with the amount of development identified for the Group 2 villages as part of the preferred development strategy (225 dwellings)? (Please mark X one box only)

Agree Disagree

7b) If not, should the amount be higher or lower, what should the number be and how should the strategy change as a result? (Please write in)

8a) Do you agree or disagree with the shortlist of sites for each Group 2 village (tables 9 – 14)? (Please mark X one box only)

Agree

Disagree

8b) If not, which sites should be included or excluded from the list? Which sites do you think should be allocated in each village to meet the strategy requirement? (Please write in)

9a) Do you agree or disagree with the approach for Group 3 and Group 4 settlements in the preferred development strategy (that rather than having specific sites allocated in the local plan there should be a local plan policy to allow small amounts of development if supported by the local community)? (Please mark X one box only)

Agree

Disagree

9b) If not, how should Group 3 and Group 4 settlements be treated in the development strategy? Do you have any comments on the wording of the draft policy for Group 3 and Group 4 settlements? (Please write in)

10a) Do you agree or disagree with the selection of Local Green Spaces? (Please mark X one box only)

Agree

Disagree

10b) If not, and given the site assessment work that has already taken place, which sites do you think should be removed from or added to the list? (Please write in)

11) Do you have any comments on any of the updated or new evidence base? (Please write in)

12) Specifically in relation to the new settlement proposals, do you have any comments on our initial appraisal of the sites that have been put forward, set out in the study “New Settlements Assessment Framework Methodology and Initial Site Assessment”? Having read the initial appraisal do you have a preference for which settlement(s) the Council should investigate further with a view to allocation? (Please write in)
