

Publication Salford Local Plan: Development Management Policies and Designations Addendum (Proposed Main Modifications and Additional Modifications)

Statement of Representation Procedure Notice

This statement relates to the Publication Salford Local Plan: Development Management Policies and Designations Addendum (Proposed Main Modifications and Additional Modifications). A brief explanation of the relationship between this document and other documents that will form part of Salford's development plan is provided below.

Background

Work began on The Greater Manchester Spatial Framework (GMSF) in 2014, covering the ten local authorities in the Greater Manchester area, including the City of Salford. It was to set out how the whole of Greater Manchester should develop, identify how much housing and employment development should be provided up to 2037 and how much of this development should be located in each of the local authority areas, including Salford. It was also considering the need to make any changes to the Green Belt in Salford, both in terms of land being removed or added to it. Some of the major decisions regarding Salford's future development were therefore to be taken through the GMSF, with the Local Plan providing a more detailed set of policies to complement this.

Due to ongoing delays in the GMSF process, Salford's Local Plan is being produced in two parts.

- Part one: Development Management Policies and Designations (SLP:DMP)
- Part two: Core Strategy and Allocations

The Part one SLP:DMP is the document being produced by the council now. Consultation on the Publication SLP:DMP took place between January and March 2020.

Following the decision of Stockport Council in early December 2020 not to approve the Publication GMSF and supporting documents for publication, it was agreed in principle at a meeting of the AGMA Executive Board on 11 December 2020 to prepare a Joint Development Plan Document (DPD) of nine of the Greater Manchester Authorities, excluding Stockport. This decision has not changed the approach to the Salford Local Plan. Whilst it is not possible to progress the elements of Salford's local plan relating to the scale and distribution of development until the Joint DPD of the nine districts is further progressed, those elements relating to development management policies and designations can be updated and adopted more quickly.

All the elements of the local plan in relation to the scale and distribution of development and site allocations for uses such as housing and employment will be addressed through Part two: Core Strategy and Allocations. Work will commence on this at a later date and once the joint DPD of nine districts has progressed further.

Title of Document

The title of the local plan which Salford City Council propose to submit to the Secretary of State so that it can be assessed by an appointed Planning Inspector via an Examination in Public is: Publication Salford Local Plan: Development Management Policies and Designations (SLP:DMP). Alongside this, the City Council will also submit the Publication SLP:DMP Addendum (Proposed Main Modifications and Additional Modifications) and associated background documents.

Subject matter

The Publication SLP:DMP provides policies that will be used to manage development and determine planning applications, identify the designations that protect the city's most important environmental assets, town centres and infrastructure. It will also support the delivery of key infrastructure, such as transport and utilities. A Policies Map has been produced to accompany the plan which shows the areas of land that have been given a protective designation or otherwise relate to specific policies in the plan.

The Planning Inspectorate advises that if a local authority wishes to make changes to the plan once the publication plan has been consulted upon, and they wish the changes to be considered alongside the submitted plan, they should prepare an Addendum to the plan containing the proposed changes (known as modifications) which should be published for consultation before the plan is submitted for examination.¹ At this stage, the city council is publishing the proposed modifications to the Publication SLP:DMP for consultation on the same basis as the regulation 19² consultation that was undertaken on the Publication SLP:DMP between January and March 2020. They are an Addendum to the Publication SLP:DMP. This approach reflects the advice contained in paragraph 1.5 of the Planning Inspectorate Procedure Guide for Local Plan Examinations

Area covered

The area covered by The Publication SLP:DMP (and Addendum) is the whole of the Salford City Council Local Authority Area. This boundary is shown on the Policies Map.

Period of Submission for Representations

Representations are invited on proposed modifications to the Publication SLP:DMP as set out in an Addendum. The purpose of this stage is to enable people to make any comments on all of the proposed modifications to the Publication SLP:DMP that they want to be taken into account at the public examination. Comments are also invited on the supporting documents which have been published alongside the proposed modifications (e.g. background reports, sustainability appraisal and other addendums etc). It is not intended to be an opportunity to make comments on any other parts of the Publication SLP:DMP; comments should only relate to the proposed modifications to the plan or the additional/updated evidence which has been published.

¹ The Planning Inspectorate (November 2020) Procedure Guide for Local Plan Examinations

² The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.

Representations are invited on the Publication SLP:DMP Addendum (Main and Minor Modifications) for a period of 6 weeks between 5 February and 19 March 2021. All representations must be received by Salford City Council by 4.30pm on Friday 19 March 2020; any received after this date will not be accepted.

Submitting Representations

The SLP:DMP Addendum and supporting background documents will be published on the city council's website at www.salford.gov.uk/publicationlocalplan-addendum from Friday 5 February 2021. Copies of the Addendum will be made available in accordance with the requirements of the city council's Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) and planning regulations, having regard to relevant Covid-19 restrictions that may be in force at the time of consultation.

Representation forms and guidance notes are available to download from Salford City Council's website at www.salford.gov.uk/publicationlocalplan-addendum or by phoning the city council on 0161 793 3782.

Representations may be submitted in the following ways:

- By email to plans.consultation@salford.gov.uk
- By post to: Publication SLP:DMP Addendum consultation
Spatial Planning
Salford City Council
Salford Civic Centre
Chorley Road
Swinton
M27 5BY

What happens next

Once the period for making representations on the Publication SLP:DMP Addendum finishes, it is intended to submit the Publication SLP:DMP and Modifications Addendum, to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government so that it can be assessed by an appointed Planning Inspector through an Examination in Public.

The role of the Planning Inspector at the Examination in Public will be to consider representations made. Respondents can request to be invited by the Inspector to participate at public hearing sessions during the examination. All individual representations received to the Publication SLP:DMP and the Modifications Addendum will be submitted to the Secretary of State together with a summary of the main issues raised during the two representation periods and considered as part of the Examination in Public.

In accordance with the Salford City Council [Spatial Planning Privacy Notice](#), comments made on planning policy and related documents, together with the name of the person and/or organisation making them, will be published on the city council's website and made available for inspection in Salford's libraries and gateway centres. Comments made on planning policy and related documents, together with the name of the person and/or organisation making them and their postal address will be made available for inspection in paper form at the council's principal offices (the Civic Centre, Swinton). We will provide your name, organisation, postal address and comments to the examining inspector. This is necessary to comply with statutory

obligations that representations are made available for public inspection, to meet the requirements of the Planning Inspectorate in the examination of planning policy documents and to ensure that all interested parties can understand the full range of views on planning policy and related documents. Other personal information will not be made public.

The Planning Inspector will consider representations made in relation to the legal tests that underpin the Public Examination. Representations should specify the matters to which they relate and the grounds on which they are made. As set out in paragraph 35 of the National Planning Policy Framework, the examination will assess whether the SLP:DMP has been prepared in accordance with legal and procedural requirements, and whether it is sound.

Please refer to the council's representation guidance notes when preparing representations.

Receiving notification of the progress of the Local Plan

You can request to be notified of any of the following steps by completing the relevant section of the representation form or by putting your request in writing via letter or email:

- The submission of the Publication SLP:DMP to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government for independent examination under section 20 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act
- Publication of the recommendations of the Planning Inspector appointed to carry out an independent examination of the Publication SLP:DMP under Section 20 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act
- Adoption of the SLP:DMP by the city council.