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Waverley's Local Plan Consultation Opens

The consultation for Waverley's Local Plan opens on **Wednesday 3 September 2014**.

Waverley residents and businesses are invited to submit their views on where housing and other development which is needed in the future should go. The consultation will remain open for just over six weeks closing on **Friday 17 October 2014**.

Leader of Waverley Borough Council, Councillor Robert Knowles, said: "There are many ways that Waverley residents can give us their views on how our Local Plan should be shaped. We are eager to hear from as many people as possible so we have arranged a series of exhibitions* which will travel the borough over the coming weeks to explain all about the key issues when considering where housing and development should go.

"Our Local Plan will shape future development in Waverley for the next 17 years – it's an incredibly important document but decisions won't be made without hearing from local residents."

Waverley currently has more than 50,000 homes but the Government's methodology shows that we may need to find space for around 8,500 more homes between 2014 and 2031. This means that almost all the towns and villages in Waverley will have to find space for a least some new housing.

In the next couple of weeks every household and business in Waverley will receive a special edition of the council magazine 'Making Waves'. This eight page publication, dedicated to the Local Plan, will summarise the issues to be considered and identify four potential scenarios on how housing might be spread around the Borough.

Information about the consultation will also be available online from 3 September at www.waverley.gov.uk/newlocalplan. Feedback to the consultation can be made via this webpage or by completing a feedback form (which will come with Making Waves) and sending it to: FREEPOST RTJE EUXU RTKT, Waverley Borough Council, Planning Services, The Burys, Godalming, GU7 1HR.

*The exhibition dates are as follows:

Saturday 20 September 10am – 4pm at Cranleigh Leisure Centre,

Saturday 27th September 10am – 4pm at Farnham Central Car Park

Saturday 4th October 10am – 4pm at The Burys Car Park in Godalming

Saturday 11th October 10am – 4pm at High Street Car Park in Haslemere

PLUS:

Wednesday 24 September 11am – 1pm in Elstead and 3pm – 7pm in Milford

Wednesday 1 October 11am – 1pm in Chiddingfold, 2pm – 4pm in Dunsfold, 5pm – 7pm in Alfold

Wednesday 8 October 11am – 1pm in Bramley/Wonersh, 2pm – 4pm in Shamley Green, 5pm – 7pm in Ewhurst

Wednesday 15 October 11am – 1pm in Tilford, 2pm – 4pm in Frensham, 5pm – 7pm in Churt.

Full details including locations of these exhibitions will be available at www.waverley.gov.uk/newlocalplan in due course.

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