

Epsom and Ewell Local Plan Submitted for Examination

14 March 2025



Residents Encouraged to Stay Engaged and Make Representations

Epsom and Ewell Borough Council has officially submitted the Epsom and Ewell Local Plan (2022-2040) to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government for independent examination. This significant step, taken on 10 March 2025, means that an Inspector will now be appointed by the Government to assess whether the Plan meets legal compliance and soundness criteria under the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) 2023.

The Local Plan, which will shape the development of the borough for the next 15 years, has already undergone public consultation between 20 December 2024 and 5 February 2025 as part of the Regulation 19 Proposed Submission process. The appointed Inspector will consider the representations made during this period as part of the examination.

What Happens Next?

A Programme Officer, Charlotte Glancy, has been appointed to facilitate the examination process. Independent of the Council, she will manage all procedural and administrative matters, acting as the point of contact between the Inspector, Council officers, and those who submitted representations.

Anyone who requested to appear at the examination hearings will be contacted by the Programme Officer in due course regarding the issues the Inspector wishes to explore further and the relevant hearing dates.

How to Access the Local Plan Documents

Residents who wish to review the submitted Local Plan and supporting documents can access them online at the Council's Local Plan Examination webpage: <https://www.epsom-ewell.gov.uk/localplanexamination>.

Hard copies of key documents are available for public inspection at the following locations:

- **Epsom & Ewell Borough Council Offices** (Town Hall, The Parade, Epsom, KT18 5BY) - Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm
- **Epsom Library** (6 Epsom Square, KT19 8AG) - Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 9.30am-5.30pm; Tuesday, Thursday: 9.30am-7pm; Saturday: 9.30am-5pm
- **Ewell Library** (Bourne Hall, Spring Street, KT17 1UF) - Tuesday to Saturday, 9.30am-5pm
- **Ewell Court Community Library** (Ewell Court House, Lakehurst Road, KT19 0EB) - Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 10am-5pm; Saturday: 10am-4pm
- **Stoneleigh Community Library** (1 Stoneleigh Broadway, KT17 2JA) - Monday, Tuesday, Friday: 10am-1pm, 2pm-5pm; Thursday: 10am-1pm; Saturday: 10am-4pm

Residents should check the library opening times before attending, as they may be subject to change. For enquiries about library access, contact Surrey County Council at 03456 009 009.

Making Representations and Further Enquiries

Those with queries regarding the Local Plan examination process should direct them to Programme Officer Charlotte Glancy:

- **Email:** bankssolutionsuk@gmail.com
- **Telephone:** 01903 776601 / 07519 628064
- **Postal Address:** C/O Banks Solutions, 80 Lavinia Way, East Preston, West Sussex, BN16 1DD

For general information on the Local Plan, residents can contact the Planning Policy Team at Epsom and Ewell Borough Council:

- **Email:** localplan@epsom-ewell.gov.uk
- **Telephone:** 01372 732000

This is a crucial stage in the Local Plan's development, and residents who have previously submitted comments or have an interest in the borough's future planning policies are encouraged to stay informed and involved in the process. The examination will determine the Plan's suitability in guiding local development, housing, infrastructure, and environmental policies up to 2040.

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