## Monmouthshire Replacement Local Development Plan 2018-2033 Preferred Strategy Consultation

Dear Sir/Madam

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In accordance with Regulation 15 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Development Plan) (Wales) Regulations 2005 (as amended), Monmouthshire County Council is consulting on a new RLDP Preferred Strategy (which was endorsed for statutory public consultation/engagement at the Council meeting on 1st December 2022), together with the supporting Initial Integrated Sustainability Appraisal Report and Habitats Regulations Assessment.

These documents, together with Summary and Easy Read versions of the Preferred Strategy, are available to view on the Council's website RLDP- News & Consultations - Monmouthshire A copy of the formal notice of the consultation is attached for your information.

As part of the Preferred Strategy consultation, we are also inviting comments on the candidate sites listed in the Candidate Sites Register which sets out the sites submitted during the Second Call for Candidate Sites (The Second Call for Candidate Sites took place 5thJuly to 31st August 2021). The candidate sites listed have been subject to a high-level assessment which has identified those sites that will and will not progress to the next stage of the candidate sites assessment process. This document should be read alongside the Candidate Sites Register, both documents can be viewed via this link RLDP- News & Consultations - Monmouthshire

The consultation documents are also available to view at County Hall, Usk (to view the documents at County Hall please contact the Planning Policy Team (details below) to make an advance appointment), MCC Community Hubs (Abergavenny, Caldicot, Chepstow, Monmouth and Usk), and Gilwern Library during normal opening hours (please visit the Council's website for opening times).

A number of 'drop-in sessions' are being held throughout the County during the consultation period where you can speak to a planning officer about the consultation documents. Two virtual engagement events will also take place during the consultation period, whereby officers will present the Preferred Strategy and respond to questions. Further details of these events can be viewed on the Council's website via the following link: RLDP- News & Consultations - Monmouthshire

- Virtual Engagement Event, 8th Dec 2022, 6pm to 7:30pm
- Abergavenny, Market Hall, 12th December 2022, 2pm to 7pm
- Monmouth, Shire Hall, 15th December 2022, 2pm to 7pm
- County Hall Usk, 19th December 2022, 2pm to 7pm
- Virtual Engagement Event, 10th January 2023, 2pm to 3:30pm
- Magor, Baptist Church, 11th January 2023, 2pm to 7pm
- Chepstow, Board School, 12th January 2023, 2pm to 7pm

- Caldicot, Choir Hall, 18th January 2023, 2pm to 7pm
- Raglan Village Hall, 19th January 2023, 2pm to 7pm

The Preferred Strategy, Initial Integrated Sustainability Appraisal, Habitats Regulations Assessment and Candidate Site Register are available for public consultation from Monday 5th December 2022 to Monday 30th January 2023. Please submit any comments via the online representation form, or via the standard representation form which is available on the Council's website (RLDP- News & Consultations - Monmouthshire) or at the locations listed above. Completed forms should be emailed to planningpolicy@monmouthshire.gov.uk or posted to Planning Policy, Monmouthshire County Council, County Hall, The Rhadyr, Usk, NP15 1GA.

All responses must be received by midnight on Monday 30th January 2023. Responses cannot be accepted after this date. Please note that all comments received will be available for public inspection and cannot be treated as confidential.

If you have any queries regarding the above or any aspect of the Replacement Local Development Plan, please contact the Planning Policy Team on 01633 644429 or email planningpolicy@monmouthshire.gov.uk

Yours faithfully

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