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Waverley Borough New Local Plan 2023–43: Call for Sites for the Land Availability Assessment

We are writing to let you know that as part of preparing a new Local Plan for Waverley, the Council is undertaking a Call for Sites to inform the 2024 Land Availability Assessment (LAA). This is a stock-take of potential sites that can be assessed through the plan-making process. Sites submitted to the Borough Council may be shared with the relevant Parish or Town council to enable them to undertake their own site assessments as part of preparing their neighbourhood plans.

We would be interested to hear from you if you have a site which you consider to be suitable for development for the following uses:

- Residential uses (including student and other communal accommodation such as older persons housing);
- Gypsy, traveller and travelling showpeople accommodation;
- Employment and/or retail use;
- Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspace (SANG);
- Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG) offsetting sites;
- Renewable energy generation; and



• Other uses (such as recreational, leisure, community).

There is no site size threshold for the submission of sites. However, when assessing sites for the LAA to support the new Waverley Local Plan, the Council will only assess sites put forward for residential uses which can deliver more than 5 net additional dwellings. Parish and Town Councils may decide to use a different site size threshold when assessing sites for neighbourhood planning purposes.

How to Submit a Site?

To submit a site to the Council, please complete the online form available on our website (<u>https://www.waverley.gov.uk/Services/Planning-and-building/Planning-strategies-and-policies/Housing-supply-and-delivery/Call-for-sites</u>) and upload a site location plan showing the site's boundary clearly depicted in red. Our preference is for you to submit forms on-line. However, if this is not possible, please send the completed site submission form (copy available on request) and a site location plan to

The Planning Policy Team

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It is important that we know about potential sites as early as possible if they are to form part of the evidence base for the new Local Plan. The deadline for the receipt of sites is 31st March 2024. Sites received after this date will not be assessed for the LAA 2024. However, the site will be held and assessed as part of the next LAA.

Any information you submit in response will be made publicly available by Waverley Borough Council and will be identifiable by name or organisation. For more details please view our Privacy Notice at <u>https://www.waverley.gov.uk/Services/Council-</u> information/Freedom-of-information-FOI-and-data-protection/Service-specific-privacynotices/Call-for-sites-privacy-notice.

Next Steps

In the new year, Waverley Borough Council will be running a consultation on the proposed methodology for assessing the sites submitted to us. Following this, we will undertake an assessment of each site which meets the Council's site size threshold. The site assessments will be used to prepare the LAA which will be available on the Council's website when complete.

Please contact us if you have any queries about making a submission, by telephone

on 01483 523291 or via email to planningpolicy@waverley.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

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