Leicester's New Local Plan

Issues and Options Public Consultation

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Leicester

- · Tenth largest city in England
- Provides employment, shopping, leisure and housing. A regional centre.
- Historic and Green City Parks, wildlife areas, conservation areas
- Rich tradition of entrepreneurship
- Highly acclaimed University's. Three major hospitals and premier sports clubs.
- We are a growing City so how do we deal with future growth?

 These are still challenging times
- For example, we need to find land for housing and high quality employment



What is a Local Plan?

- A statutory document that the council must produce
- The document that says where development can go in the future.
- Used to determine planning applications on issues such as new housing, employment, shopping and green spaces



What we are consulting on

This is the first stage of the local plan process. We expect the plan to be adopted in 2016



- We need to know what you think the issues and options are for the City as a whole but also for the community that you live in.
- The consultation started on 15 October 2014 and will end on 10 December 2014.

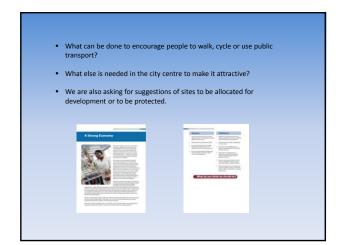
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- The document is split into three themes:
- A Growing City (economy, housing, city centre),
- People and Spaces (neighbourhoods, spaces, heritage, health) and
- The Environment (transport, climate change, green space and sport).



Some Key Questions:

- Where should new housing and employment development go?
- Are current local centres the right size? Do any need to be made bigger or smaller?
- Should we allow a greater mix of uses in local centres. E.g. Health, shops, community facilities?
- Should we restrict the number of takeaways near schools?
- How can we protect our natural and historic environment?



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- We can take comments/questions now and provide some answers.
- You can e-mail <u>planning.policy@leicester.gov.uk</u> with comments.
- You can download the document and fill in the on line response form www.leicester.gov.uk/issuesandoptions
- Thank you for listening.