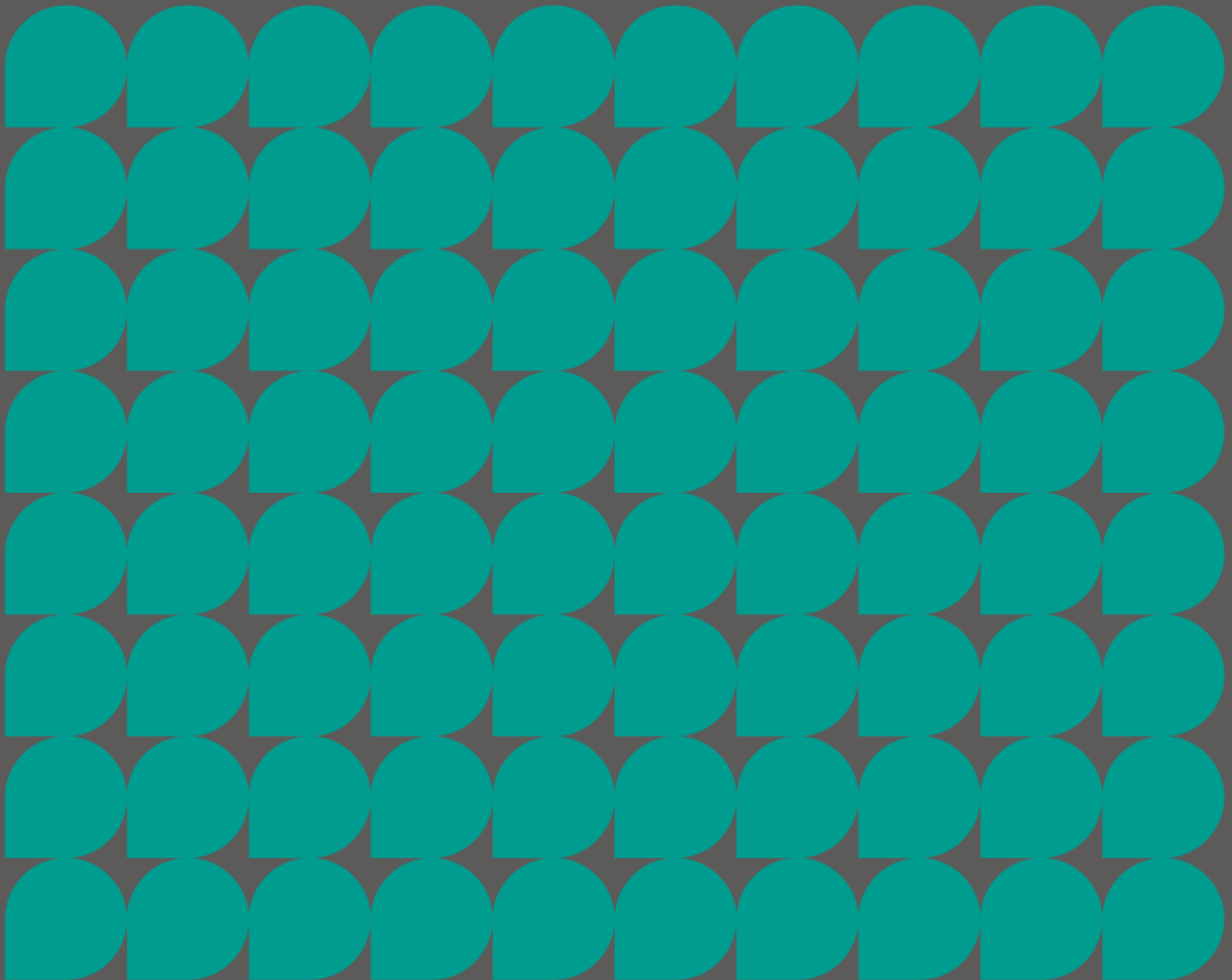


# Places for Everyone

Wigan Council Statement of Community  
Involvement Compliance Statement

February 2022



**Places for Everyone**  
**Statement of Community Involvement Compliance**  
**Statement**  
**Regulation 18 and 19 Consultations**  
**Wigan Council**

1. Introduction

1.1 The role of Wigan's Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) is to set out how the council intends to engage with local communities, businesses and other interested parties when developing and reviewing planning documents and determining planning applications.

1.2 This Compliance Statement demonstrates that consultation has been undertaken in accordance with the approved Wigan SCI at each stage of the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework / Places for Everyone Plan preparation process. The Council consulted bodies, organisations and individuals in accordance with the SCI, using a broad range of methods to advertise the consultations. A range of evidence is illustrated in the appendices.

2. Background

2.1 Public consultation on the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework (GMSF) under Regulation 18 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 took place in 2016 and 2019 in accordance with Wigan Council's 2015 SCI.

2.2 The SCI was updated in 2020 ahead of scheduled consultation on the publication draft of the GMSF. However, this plan was not taken forward following the withdrawal of Stockport Council from the plan process, and the GMSF was replaced by the Places for Everyone (PfE) Plan. The 2020 SCI referred to the GMSF, so was updated in 2021 to refer to the PfE Plan and to update references to COVID-19 restrictions. Public consultation on the PfE Plan took place in accordance with the Council's 2021 SCI, which can be viewed at: [Statement of Community Involvement \(July 2021\) \(wigan.gov.uk\)](https://www.wigan.gov.uk/statement-of-community-involvement-july-2021)

3. Consultation undertaken at the Draft and Revised Draft GMSF stages – Regulation 18 Consultation
- 3.1 In accordance with Regulation 18 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012, the Draft GMSF was published for public consultation from 31 October 2016 to 23 December 2016 and the Revised Draft was published for public consultation from 21 January 2019 to 18 March 2019.
- 3.2 A wide range of methods were used to raise awareness about the consultations and to encourage people to respond. The publicity methods aimed to target the full range of stakeholders.
- 3.3 The 2015 SCI set out that we would involve the following stakeholders:
- **Specific consultation bodies** – these are organisations specified by law for consultation as appropriate, including those responsible for services, utilities and infrastructure provision, Parish Councils in and adjacent to the borough, adjoining councils and Government departments.
  - **General consultation bodies** - these are community and voluntary bodies with an interest in the borough and bodies that represent different racial, ethnic, national or religious groups, disabled persons or persons carrying on business in the borough.
  - **Elected representatives** - this includes local councillors, Members of Parliament and Members of the European Parliament
  - **The general public** - this includes people who live in, work in or visit the borough or have another interest in the borough.
  - **Businesses** – those with business interests in the borough.
  - **Landowners, developers and agents** – those who have a direct interest in future development and have a major role to play in providing the facilities and services the borough needs.
  - **Duty to co-operate prescribed bodies** - these include neighbouring councils and other prescribed bodies as set out in law, many of whom are also specific consultation bodies.
- 3.4 The 2015 SCI also set out **how** we would involve these stakeholders. It stated that:
- We would contact appropriate organisations and individuals directly by email, or by post when it is the only means available

- We would publicise consultations by methods **such as** our website and other websites as appropriate, press releases, local newspapers and radio, social media, site notices, meetings, workshops and ‘drop-in’ sessions.
  - We would make consultation documents available on our website; on other websites if appropriate; at Wigan Library, which is part of the Wigan Life Centre, the Wiend, Wigan, our principal office for visiting members of public; and at other public libraries.
  - We would publish comments received, or a summary of them, as soon as possible and explain how they have been taken into account in preparing the plan.
- 3.5 The SCI did not commit the Council to all the methods of publicity for every consultation. It set out a list of options, to be selected as and when appropriate for each consultation.
- 3.6 Further detail is set out in the following sections about the stakeholders engaged and how we engaged them as part of the consultation process for the Draft GMSF (2016) and the Revised Draft GMSF (2019).

## **Draft GMSF 2016**

### **Emails / Letters**

- 3.7 Emails or letters regarding the Draft GMSF were sent out to:
- All general and specific consultees
  - All elected representatives
  - Members of the general public and businesses included on the Council’s Local Plan consultation database
  - Landowners, developers and agents with an interest in the plan and / or its proposed allocations
  - The Duty to Cooperate prescribed bodies as identified in Part 2 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.
- 3.8 Emails were used where an email address was known, and letters sent to consultees where an email address had not been provided. The emails / letters informed people of the consultation, gave a brief overview of the content of the Draft GMSF, directed people to the consultation documents via the Wigan Council or Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA) websites and provided details about how to make comments. Information was also provided about the proposed public drop-in sessions that were being held in venues across the Borough. Telephone contact details were provided for the Greater Manchester Planning Team and the planning policy team at Wigan Council, if people required any further general, or site specific, information.
- 3.9 Elected members were also provided with briefings about the consultation.

- 3.10 A copy of the general email sent is found in Appendix 1A, a copy of the general letter in Appendix 1B and a copy of the elected member email in Appendix 1C.

### **Website**

- 3.11 All consultation documents were made available on the GMCA website and a link to this was provided on Wigan Council's GMSF webpage, which also provided additional Wigan specific information. The GMCA website provided details about how to respond to the consultation. The primary method for providing views was through use of an online consultation portal (Objective Keystone), but details were also provided to enable responses by email, or by post. Wigan Council's web text can be found in Appendix 1D.

### **Press Release / Local Newspapers**

- 3.12 An article on the Draft GMSF consultation was published in the Wigan Evening Post on 2 November 2016. This can be found in Appendix 1E.

### **Social Media**

- 3.13 The Draft GMSF was publicised on social media (Twitter and Facebook) during the consultation period. Social media publicising the consultation and the drop-in sessions can be found in Appendix 1F.

### **Site Notices**

- 3.14 Site notices were put up in multiple locations in the vicinity of the 10 sites that were proposed for allocation in the Draft GMSF, informing local people of the consultation and the proposed allocations. An example site notice is included in Appendix 1G

### **Meetings / Workshops / Drop-in Sessions**

- 3.15 A series of drop-in sessions were held in seven locations around Wigan Borough where the public were invited to attend to discuss the Draft GMSF with Wigan planners. Table 1 provides details of these drop-in events.

Table 1: GMSF 2016 Drop-in Sessions

Location	Date	Time	No. of Attendees
Wigan Town Hall Atrium, Wigan	Thursday 10 November 2016	3.00 – 7.00 pm	79
Atherton Community School, Atherton	Tuesday 15 November 2016	4.45 – 8.00 pm	44
St. Johns Church, Mosley Common Road	Tuesday 29 November 2016	3.00 – 7.00 pm	78
The Grange Centre, Winstanley	Thursday 24 November 2016	4.00 – 8.00 pm	65
The Turnpike Centre, Leigh	Thursday 8 December 2016	3.00 – 7.00 pm	57
Ashton Library, Ashton-in-Makerfield	Thursday 01 December 2016	3.00 – 7.00 pm	30
Astley Christian Fellowship, Astley	Tuesday 22 November 2016	3.00 – 7.00 pm	65

- 3.16 The drop-in sessions were publicised via a variety of means including social media (Twitter), the written press (Wigan Observer and Wigan Evening Post), site notices, the Wigan Council webpage and in the consultation emails / letters. In total they were attended by 418 people.

### **Libraries**

- 3.17 Paper copies of the Draft GMSF were made available for the public to view at all public libraries within the borough. The libraries also provide free public internet access, which provided a facility for the public to access the Draft GMSF consultation online.

## **Revised Draft GMSF 2019**

### **Emails / Letters**

- 3.18 Emails or letters regarding the Revised Draft GMSF were sent out to:
- All general and specific consultees
  - All elected representatives
  - Members of the general public and businesses included on the Council's Local Plan consultation database, including those who had commented at the Draft GMSF stage, unless they did not wish to be informed of future GMSF stages.
  - Landowners, developers and agents with an interest in the plan and / or its proposed allocations
  - The Duty to Cooperate prescribed bodies as identified in Part 2 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.

- 3.19 Emails were used where an email address was known, and letters sent to consultees where an email address had not been provided. The emails / letters informed people of the consultation, gave a brief overview of the content of the Revised Draft GMSF, directed people to the consultation documents via the GMCA website and provided information about how to make comments.
- 3.20 Consultees were also directed to information on the Wigan Council website GMSF page, which provided information about proposed public drop-in sessions that were being held in venues across the Borough. A copy of the general email sent is found in Appendix 2A.

### **Website**

- 3.21 All consultation documents and evidence base documents were made available on the GMCA website and a link to this was provided on Wigan Council's GMSF webpage, which also provided additional Wigan specific information. The GMCA website provided details about how to respond to the consultation. The primary method for providing views was through use of an online consultation portal (Objective Keystone), but details were also provided to enable responses by email, or by post.

### **Press Release / Local Newspapers**

- 3.22 An article on the Revised Draft GMSF consultation was published in the Wigan Post on 21 February 2019. This can be found in Appendix 2B.

### **Social Media**

- 3.23 The Revised Draft GMSF was regularly publicised on social media (Twitter and Facebook) during the consultation period. Screenshots of a tweet and a Facebook newsfeed update publicising the drop-in sessions can be found in Appendix 2C.

### **Meetings / Workshops / Drop-in Sessions**

- 3.24 Elected members were given briefings about the Revised Draft GMSF on 14 January 2019 in Leigh and on 15 January in Wigan. The briefings covered:
- The overall strategy
  - Housing requirements and land supply
  - Economic development
  - Proposed site allocations
  - Green Belt
  - Transport
  - Environment
  - Consultation and next steps
- 3.25 A series of drop-in sessions were held in five locations around Wigan Borough where the public were invited to attend to discuss the Revised Draft GMSF with Wigan planners. Locations were selected that were near to the five major

sites that were proposed for allocation in the 2019 GMSF. Table 2 below provides details of these drop-in events.

Table 2: GMSF 2019 Drop-in Sessions

Location	Date	No. of Attendees
Highfield Community Centre, Marus Bridge, Wigan (M6 Junction 25 allocation)	Friday 08 February 2019	23
Atherton Community School, Atherton (West of Gibfield allocation)	Monday 11 February 2019	16
St. Johns Church Lounge, Mosley Common (Mosley Common allocation)	Tuesday 5 February 2019	72
Lowton High School, Lowton (Pocket Nook and South of Pennington allocations)	Thursday 14 February 2019	107
Wigan Town Hall (all allocations / mop-up session)	Tuesday 26 February 2019	17

- 3.26 The drop-in sessions were publicised via a variety of means including social media (Twitter and Facebook), the Wigan Council webpage and the consultation emails / letters. In total they were attended by 235 people.

### Libraries

- 3.27 Hard copies of the Revised Draft GMSF and associated documents were made available for the public to view at all public libraries within the borough. Paper copies of the following documents were deposited in each library:
- Greater Manchester's Plan for Homes, Jobs and the Environment (the Revised Draft GMSF)
  - Integrated Appraisal of the GMSF (2 documents)
  - GM Transport Strategy 2040: Draft Delivery Plan
  - GM Transport Strategy 2040: Draft Delivery Plan – Executive Summary
- 3.28 The libraries also provide free public internet access, which provided a facility for the public to access the Revised Draft GMSF consultation online.



#### 4. Consultation undertaken at the Places for Everyone- Publication stage – Regulation 19 Consultation

- 4.1 In accordance with Regulation 19 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012, the Publication version of the PfE Plan was published for public consultation from 09 August 2021 to 03 October 2021.
- 4.2 A wide range of methods were used to raise awareness about the consultations and to encourage people to respond. The publicity methods aimed to target the full range of stakeholders.
- 4.3 The Wigan 2021 SCI refers specifically to the PfE Plan and highlights that consultation on it is carried out on a joint basis in line with the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 and the nine GM districts' SCIs.
- 4.4 The 2021 SCI reflects the uncertainty and constraints imposed by the Covid-19 pandemic. It states that where circumstances arise that are beyond our control such as the Covid-19 pandemic, we may not be able to utilise all forms of consultation and engagement listed in the document in a socially distanced manner. In such circumstances we will tailor consultations in line with legal requirements and up-to-date government guidance.
- 4.5 Wigan's 2021 SCI states that we will involve the same stakeholders as set out in the 2015 SCI, with the exception of Members of the European Parliament, as the United Kingdom is no longer in the European Union.
- 4.6 The 2021 SCI sets out **how** we will involve these stakeholders. It states that:
  - We will contact appropriate organisations and individuals as set out in the 'Who?' section directly by email, or by post when it is the only means available.
  - We will publicise consultations by methods such as our website, and other websites as appropriate, and our social media, and by press releases, local newspapers and radio, Borough Life magazine and site notices, as appropriate.
  - We will organise meetings, workshops and drop-in sessions where appropriate. However, the SCI notes that where circumstances arise that are beyond the council's control such as during the Covid-19 pandemic or other times of social distancing the council may not be able to make use of some of the methods listed. In such circumstances consultation methods will be tailored in line with legal requirements and up-to-date government guidance.

- We will utilise forms of online engagement methods at different stages of plan preparation, such as virtual exhibitions, digital consultations, video conferencing, as appropriate.
- We will make consultation documents available on our website, and on other websites where appropriate.
- We will make hardcopy versions of consultation documents available at the Wigan Life Centre, The Wiend, Wigan, which is our principal office for visiting members of public, specifically in Wigan Library within that building; together with other public libraries.
- We will publish comments received, or a summary of them, as soon as possible and explain how they have been taken into account in preparing the plan. The exception to this is at the formal 'publication' or 'proposed submission' stage of the plan, after which representations are passed to the independent inspector to consider at the public examination, and following the examination when the inspector recommends proposed modifications to the plan which need to be consulted upon.
- All public buildings used for consultation purposes will be accessible and meet wheelchair access regulations.

4.7 The SCI does not commit the Council to all the methods of publicity for every consultation. It sets out a list of options, to be selected as and when appropriate for each consultation.

4.8 Further detail is set out in the following sections about the stakeholders engaged and how we engaged them as part of the consultation process for the Publication stage of the PfE Plan.

### **Emails / Letters**

4.9 Emails or letters regarding the PfE Plan were sent out to:

- All general and specific consultees
- All elected representatives
- Members of the general public and businesses included on the Council's Local Plan consultation database, including those who had previously responded to a consultation on the joint development plan, or had asked to be kept informed of its progress.
- Landowners, developers and agents with an interest in the plan and / or its proposed allocations.
- The Duty to Cooperate prescribed bodies as identified in Part 2 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.

4.10 Emails were sent where an email address was known, and letters sent to consultees if an email address had not been provided. The emails / letters informed people of the consultation, directed people to the plan and

supporting documents on the GMCA website and provided information about how to make comments. In addition, consultees were also directed to the dedicated Places for Everyone webpage on Wigan Council's website where further information was provided. A copy of the general email sent out can be found in Appendix 3A and the elected member email in Appendix 3B. The web text on the Council's Places for Everyone webpage is in Appendix 3E.

- 4.11 The emails / letters included a Statement of Representation Procedure Notice that explained the procedure for making representations and what happens next, including how to participate in the Examination. The notice set out that responses could be submitted using the online response form, by email and by post. The notice can be found in Appendix 3D.
- 4.12 Bespoke emails / letters were also sent out to residents, landowners or occupiers of land north of Mosley Common (Appendix 3C).

### **Website**

- 4.13 All consultation documents and evidence base documents were made available on the GMCA website and a link to this was provided on Wigan Council's PfE webpage, which provided additional Wigan specific information, including on the four site allocations proposed in the borough. The primary method for providing views was through use of an online consultation portal (Objective Keystone), but details were also provided to enable responses by email, or by post.

### **Social Media**

- 4.14 The PfE Plan was regularly publicised by Wigan Council on social media (Twitter and Facebook) during the consultation period. Screenshots of tweets and Facebook newsfeed updates from Wigan Council publicising the plan can be found in Appendix 3F.

### **Press Release / Local Newspapers / Borough Life**

- 4.15 The PfE Plan consultation was publicised in the Wigan Evening Post, Wigan Today and the Leigh Journal (Leaders Column), as evidenced in Appendix 3G. It also featured in My Wigan Borough Updates (Appendix 3H), which are regular electronic updates about what is happening across the borough that people can subscribe to.

### **Site Notices**

- 4.16 Site notices were put up in multiple locations in the vicinity of the four major sites that were proposed for allocation in the PfE Plan, informing local people of the consultation and the proposed site allocations. The site notices and their locations can be found in Appendix 3I. Site Notices were also sent to relevant ward councillors for display in community noticeboards. Notices were also put up to advertise 6 proposed Green Belt additions (Appendix 3J).

### **Meetings / Workshops / Drop-in Sessions**

- 4.17 Taking account of the position in terms of Covid-19 and in accordance with the 2021 SCI no drop-in sessions or workshops were held.

### **Online Engagement Methods**

- 4.18 The GMCA website hosted a virtual exhibition site for the duration of the PfE consultation. It provided links to the PfE Plan, the consultation material and the online consultation portal. The space also included videos relating to the consultation, a map for each district showing key information including site allocations, a link to frequently asked questions, a link to supporting / background documents and a link to archived GMSF material.

### **Libraries**

- 4.19 Copies of the PfE Plan were not deposited at all borough libraries due to the impact of Covid-19. However, paper copies of the PfE Plan were deposited at the borough's largest and most accessible libraries in Wigan and Leigh for the public to view.
- 4.20 The libraries also provide free public internet access, which provided a facility for the public to access the PfE Plan consultation online.

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**Appendices**

## **Appendix 1:**

### **Evidence of engagement undertaken on the Draft GMSF (2016)**

## Appendix 1A: 2016 GMSF Consultation - General Email Text

Dear Sir / Madam

### The Draft Greater Manchester Spatial Framework

Public consultation on the draft Greater Manchester Spatial Framework starts today and runs to **23 December 2016**.

The Greater Manchester Spatial Framework (GMSF) is the work of a partnership between the ten districts in Greater Manchester, including Wigan Council, and the Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA). It is a new strategic plan for the city region through to 2035. It sets out:

- How much housing and employment land is needed and the distribution between each district including Wigan up to 2035.
- The importance of infrastructure such as health, education, transport, green spaces and utilities to support neighbourhoods and employment.
- Ways to protect and improve the natural environment.

The draft GMSF and all associated information, including an interactive map of sites can be accessed via the council's webpages at [www.wigan.gov.uk/gmsf](http://www.wigan.gov.uk/gmsf), where there is some information specific to Wigan Borough. However, most of the information will be available directly at [www.greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk/GMSF](http://www.greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk/GMSF).

Paper copies of the draft GMSF can be viewed at the council's **libraries** but may not be available until Wednesday, for which we apologise. Of course, residents without internet access at home can access the GMSF on the internet at libraries, with assistance from the staff there if needed.

Comments may be made online at <http://gmsf-consult.objective.co.uk>, or by email to [GMSF@agma.gov.uk](mailto:GMSF@agma.gov.uk). All comments must be received **by 5.00pm on 23 December 2016**.

All comments will be held by the GMCA and will be available to view publicly. Comments cannot be treated as confidential. Your personal information, such as postal and e-mail addresses will not be published, but your name and organisation (if relevant) will.

The GMCA is maintaining a database of consultees who wish to be kept informed about the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework. If you respond to this consultation, your contact details will be added to the consultation database. If you do not want to be contacted about future GMSF consultations, please state that in your response.

A series of drop-in sessions are being held in Wigan Borough which the public are invited to attend and discuss the draft Greater Manchester Spatial Framework with planners. These are at:

- Wigan Town Hall Atrium, Thursday 10 November 3.00-7.00pm
- Atherton Community School, Tuesday 15 November, 4.45-8.00pm
- Astley and Mosley Common, to be confirmed
- The Grange Centre, Winstanley, Thursday 24 November, 4.00-8.00pm
- The Turnpike Centre, Leigh, Thursday 8 December, 3.00-7.00pm

If you require any further information on the consultation please do not hesitate to contact the Greater Manchester Planning Team on 0161 237 4636.

If you would like to discuss the proposals in Wigan Borough please contact the Planning Policy team at Wigan Council on 01942 489223/4/5.

Yours sincerely  
David

**David Kearsley**

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## Appendix 1B: 2016 GMSF Consultation - General Letter



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Full Name  
Company / Organisation  
Address Line 1  
Address Line 2  
Address Line 3  
Post Town  
Post Code

Our reference: DK/GMSF1  
Your reference:  
Please ask for: David Kearsley  
Extension: 89223  
Direct line: 01942 489223  
Date: 28 October 2016

Dear Sir / Madam

### The Draft Greater Manchester Spatial Framework

The public consultation on the draft Greater Manchester Spatial Framework starts on **31 October** and runs to **23 December 2016**. We welcome your comments on the document.

The council is working with the nine other councils in Greater Manchester to develop a new strategic plan for the city region through to 2035. It is called the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework.

The draft Greater Manchester Spatial Framework sets out:

- How much housing and employment land is needed and the distribution between each district including Wigan up to 2035.
- The importance of infrastructure such as health, education, transport, green spaces and utilities to support neighbourhoods and employment.
- Ways to protect and improve the natural environment.

You can view the draft Greater Manchester Spatial Framework and all associated information, including an interactive map of sites at [www.greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk/GMSF](http://www.greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk/GMSF).

Paper copies of the draft Greater Manchester Spatial Framework can be viewed at the council's **libraries**. Free internet access is also available at libraries.

Comments may be made:

- online at <http://gmsf-consult.objective.co.uk>
- by email to [GMSF@agma.gov.uk](mailto:GMSF@agma.gov.uk)
- or by post, if this is your only way of responding, to:  
Greater Manchester Integrated Support Team  
PO Box 532  
Town Hall  
Manchester  
M60 2LA

Please reply to Planning Policy  
Wigan Council, Places Directorate: Economy and Environment, Wigan Life Centre  
South, College Avenue, Wigan WN1 1NJ.  
Phone: 01942 489223  
E-mail: [d.kearsley@wigan.gov.uk](mailto:d.kearsley@wigan.gov.uk)  
[www.wigan.gov.uk](http://www.wigan.gov.uk)

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All comments must be received **by 5.00pm on 23 December 2016**.

All comments will be held by the Greater Manchester Combined Authority and will be available to view publicly. Comments cannot be treated as confidential. Your personal information, such as your postal and e-mail address will not be published, but your name and organisation (if relevant) will.

The Greater Manchester Combined Authority maintains a database of consultees who wish to be kept informed about the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework. In responding to this consultation your contact details will be added to the consultation database. If you do not want to be contacted about future Greater Manchester Spatial Framework consultations please state this in your response.

A series of drop-in sessions are being hosted across Greater Manchester which the public are invited to attend and discuss the draft Greater Manchester Spatial Framework with planners. The drop-in session sessions in Wigan Borough are at:

- Wigan Town Hall Atrium, Thursday 10 November 3.00-7.00pm
- Atherton Community School, Tuesday 15 November, 4.45-8.00pm
- Astley and Mosley Common, to be confirmed
- The Grange Centre, Winstanley, Thursday 24 November, 4.00-8.00pm
- The Turnpike Centre, Leigh, Thursday 8 December, 3.00-7.00pm

If you require any further information on the consultation please do not hesitate to contact the Greater Manchester Planning Team on: 0161 237 4636.

If you would like to discuss one of the allocations in Wigan Borough please contact me or one of my colleagues in the Planning Policy team on 01942 489223/4/5.

Yours sincerely



David Kearsley  
Principal Planner

## Appendix 1C: 2016 GMSF Consultation - Elected Member Email Text

Dear Councillor

As I am sure you will be aware from the advance publicity and, hopefully, from one of the Members briefings we have held, the public consultation on the draft Greater Manchester Spatial Framework (GMSF) starts on Monday and runs through to 23 December 2016.

The GMSF is the work of a partnership between the ten districts in Greater Manchester and the Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA). It is a new strategic plan for the city region through to 2035. It sets out:

- How much housing and employment land is needed and the distribution between each district, including Wigan, up to 2035.
- The importance of infrastructure such as health, education, transport, green spaces and utilities to support neighbourhoods and employment.
- Ways to protect and improve the natural environment.

The draft GMSF and all associated information, including an interactive map of sites can be accessed from Monday via the council's webpages at [www.wigan.gov.uk/gmsf](http://www.wigan.gov.uk/gmsf), where there will be some information specific to Wigan Borough. However, most of the information will be available directly at [www.greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk/GMSF](http://www.greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk/GMSF).

Paper copies of the draft GMSF can be viewed at the council's libraries but may not be available until Wednesday, for which we apologise. Of course, residents without internet access at home can access the GMSF on the internet at libraries, with assistance from the staff there if needed.

Comments may be made online at <http://gmsf-consult.objective.co.uk>, or by email to [GMSF@agma.gov.uk](mailto:GMSF@agma.gov.uk), or by post, if that is the only means available. Letters should be sent to Greater Manchester Integrated Support Team, PO Box 532, Town Hall, Manchester M60 2LA. All comments must be received **by 5.00pm on 23 December 2016**.

All comments will be held by the GMCA and will be available to view publicly. Comments cannot be treated as confidential. Personal information, such as postal and e-mail addresses will not be published, but names and organisation (if relevant) will.

The GMCA is maintaining a database of consultees who wish to be kept informed about the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework. Contact details will be added to the consultation database when people respond to this consultation. If people do not want to be contacted about future GMSF consultations, they must state that in their response.

A series of drop-in sessions are being held in Wigan Borough which the public are invited to attend and discuss the draft Greater Manchester Spatial Framework with planners. These are at:

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If you require any further information on the consultation please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely  
Nick

**Nick Clarke**  
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# Greater Manchester Spatial Framework

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The council is working with the nine other councils in Greater Manchester to develop a new strategic plan for the city region through to 2035. It is called the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework (GMSF).

A draft version of the GMSF has been published and comments are invited from 31 October until **23 December 2016**.

The draft GMSF sets out:

- How much housing and employment land is needed and the distribution between each district including Wigan up to 2035.
- The importance of infrastructure such as health, education, transport, green spaces and utilities to support neighbourhoods and employment.
- Ways to protect and improve the natural environment.

Key questions and answers about the implications of the draft GMSF can be viewed [here \(pdf\)](#). The case of additional employment land is summarised [here \(pdf\)](#).

For further information please visit [www.greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk/GMSF](http://www.greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk/GMSF).

Paper copies of the draft Greater Manchester Spatial Framework can be viewed at public libraries in the borough.

Comments may be made online at <http://gmsf-consult.objective.co.uk> or by email to [GMSF@agma.gov.uk](mailto:GMSF@agma.gov.uk). All comments must be submitted **by 5.00pm on 23 December 2016**.

You can also discuss the proposals in the draft GMSF with planners at a number of drop-in sessions across the borough, as follows:

- Wigan Town Hall Atrium, Thursday 10 November 3.00-7.00pm
- Atherton Community School, Tuesday 15 November, 4.45-8.00pm
- Astley, to be confirmed
- The Grange Centre, Winstanley, Thursday 24 November, 4.00-8.00pm
- The Turnpike Centre, Leigh, Thursday 8 December, 3.00-7.00pm

# Residents get their say on planning blueprint

By SOPHIE ARNOLD  
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**Residents are being encouraged to have their say on a major plan which will help deliver thousands of new jobs and homes for Wigan borough over the next two decades.**

The Greater Manchester Spatial Framework (GMSF) will help the area create more than 15,000 new jobs and almost 25,000 new homes in the years up to 2035.

The strategic plan sets out how the 10 councils in Greater Manchester, including Wigan Council, will deliver economic growth over the next 20 years and was approved by council leaders last week.

The draft plan outlines where new homes and transport infrastructure will be built and new employment land created.

For Wigan the GMSF will provide major new employment opportunities for people in the borough. Key proposals to boost jobs include:

- \* 95 hectares of new employment land at Junction 25 of the M6 at Bryn and Ashton which could create a projected 7,600 jobs;

- \* 43 hectares of new employment land at Junction 26 of the M6 at Orrell which could create a projected 3,400 jobs;

- \* Further new employment land along the East Lancs Road and M61 corridor which could create a projected 4,000 jobs;

- \* New locations for homes include sites in Astley and Boothstown, North of Mosley Common and South of Pennington in Leigh.

Along with growth in jobs and housing Wigan Council is committed to attracting investment in the borough's infrastructure to ensure people can connect to the new employment opportunities.

Deputy leader Coun David Molyneux said: "It is crucial that local people engage with the consultation on the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework. This will be an important plan that will inform future planning decisions for the whole of Greater Manchester, including the



Coun David Molyneux

borough of Wigan.

"It is my view that Wigan is the best strategically placed local authority in Greater Manchester. There will be significant economic growth coming our way in the decades ahead and we need to make sure our residents are able to share in that growth and seize

those opportunities.

"It is also important that with growth in housing and employment Wigan borough is able to invest in its infrastructure and we will be working with our partners in Greater Manchester to ensure that significant investment in our transport links is

delivered.

"We have HS2 coming to the borough and we want improved local infrastructure and better east-west connections, including HS3, to be delivered as well."

Due to insufficient supply of brownfield sites in the borough to fully address housing and employment land demand greenfield land, including a small proportion of land (less than five per cent) in the green belt, is required.

However, the draft plan protects the vast majority of green belt in the borough and extends the green belt around Standish.

A series of drop-in sessions is being held for the public to find out more about the plan and to share their views.

They are: Wigan Town Hall Atrium, November 10 3pm to 7pm; Atherton Community School, November 15 4.45pm to 8pm; The Grange Centre, Winstanley, November 24 4pm to 8pm; and the Turnpike Centre, Leigh, December 8 3pm to 7pm.

Other drop-in sessions will be arranged.

## Cop chief's anger over Orgreave probe snub

Greater Manchester's police commissioner Tony Lloyd has attacked the Home Secretary's decision to block an inquiry into the "Battle of Orgreave."

Amber Rudd said there was no public interest in an investigation into the 1984 Miners' Strike clash between pickets and police in which 80 were injured. Leigh MP Andy Burnham, key in pushing for a Hillsborough disaster inquiry, has alleged the same force, South Yorks Police, had again altered witness statements after Orgreave.

And Mr Lloyd said: "We police by consent and that consent is underpinned by the confidence and trust of local people. An inquiry is absolutely necessary, both to achieve justice for those at Orgreave and their families, and to instil confidence in policing across the UK, not just in South Yorkshire. Policing has clearly moved on... but we cannot simply dismiss an inquiry because it concerns events of the past. Especially when the impact of Orgreave can still be felt today."

## Summit for anti-flood measures update

By CHARLES GRAHAM  
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@CGrahamWIG

Residents who faced misery and distress in last winter's floods and those who fear they could be at risk in future from the same are invited to a special borough briefing to



## Cold snap could be on the way this month

Weathermen have issued a mixed forecast for November.

The Met Office says that



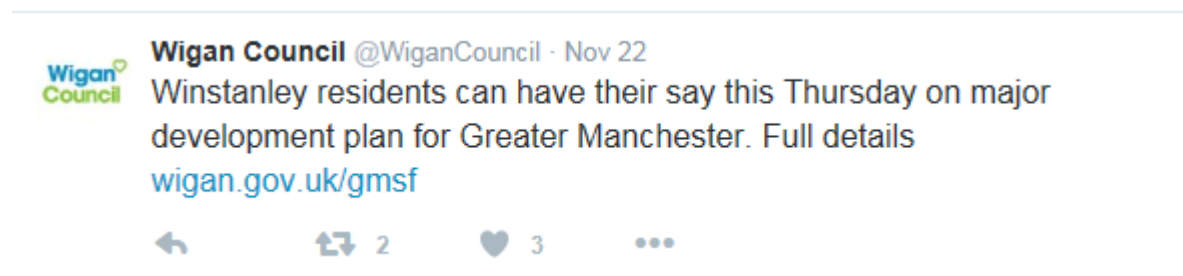
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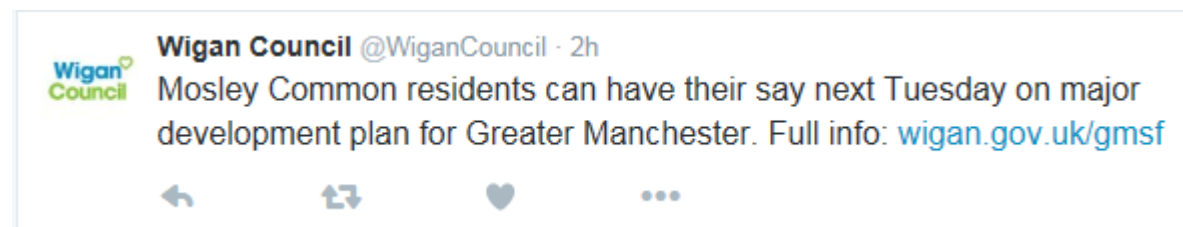
#### Atherton 15 November 2016



#### Winstanley 23 November 2016



#### Mosley Common 29 November 2016



26 November 2016



Scheduled: 28th November 7am: Ashton residents can have their say this Thursday (1<sup>st</sup> Dec) on a major development plan for Greater Manchester. Full details: [www.wigan.gov.uk/gmsf](http://www.wigan.gov.uk/gmsf)

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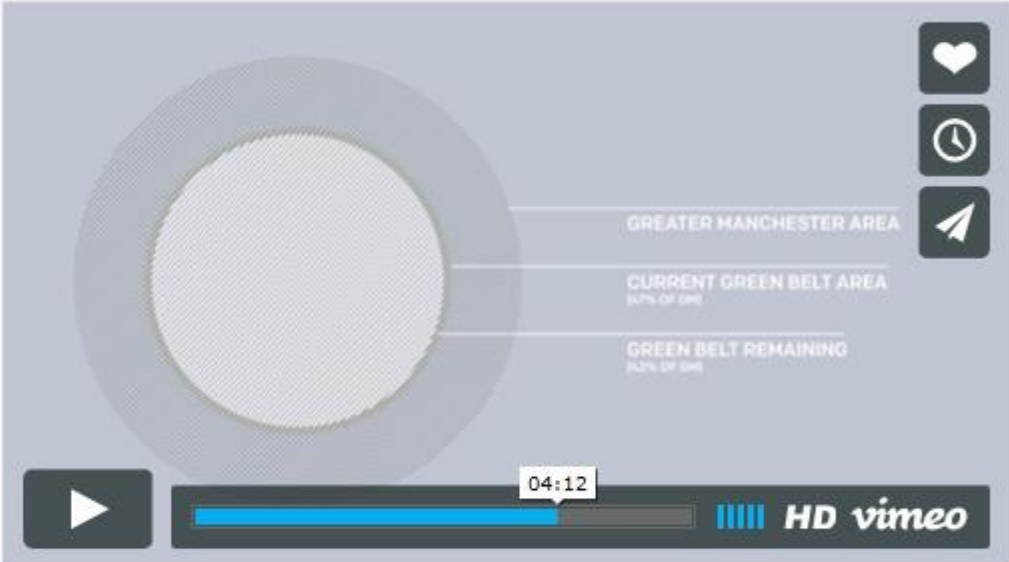


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**GM Spatial Framework** @GMSpatialFrame · Oct 31

Want to know more about the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework before having your say? Take a look at our new film



**The Greater Manchester Spatial Framework: planning for an even...**  
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[vimeo.com](https://vimeo.com)

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5 December 2016

**Wigan Council** @WiganCouncil · 5h

Leigh residents can have their say this Thursday on a major development plan for Greater Manchester. Full details: [wigan.gov.uk/gmsf](http://wigan.gov.uk/gmsf)

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6 December 2016



**Wigan Council** @WiganCouncil · 17h

As part of the Deal in Action there will be a GMSF drop in session on 8th Dec in the Turnpike Centre, 3pm - 7pm for residents to get info



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**Wigan Council** @WiganCouncil · Dec 18

The deadline for views on a major plan which will shape the future of the borough has been extended. Have your say [greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk/info/20081/dra...](https://greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk/info/20081/dra...)

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7 January 2017

 **Wigan Council** @WiganCouncil · Jan 7

The consultation period for the draft GMSF has been extended to 16th January 2017. Have your say on the future of GM [gmsf-consult.objective.co.uk/portal/2016con...](https://gmsf-consult.objective.co.uk/portal/2016con...)

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11 January 2017

 **Wigan Council** @WiganCouncil · 16h

Don't forget you have until Monday to have your say on [#GMSF](https://gmsf-consult.objective.co.uk/portal/). Click here: [gmsf-consult.objective.co.uk/portal/](https://gmsf-consult.objective.co.uk/portal/)

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 **Wigan Council** @WiganCouncil · 16h

Here's how you can have your say on the GMSF...



**GMCA** @greatermc  
Less than a week left to give us your views on @GMSpatialFrame - let us know what you think here: [greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk/info/20081/dra...](https://greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk/info/20081/dra...)

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 **Wigan Council** @WiganCouncil · 17h

The leader [@Lord\\_PeterSmith](#) has moved the discussion to GMSF and encourages residents to complete consultation which has been extended [#wfc](#)

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15 January 2017

 **Wigan Council** @WiganCouncil · 15h

What should development in Greater Manchester look like for next 20 years?  
Have your say - jobs, homes, transport...  
[ow.ly/zBWE307mMJY](https://www.wigan.gov.uk/ow.ly/zBWE307mMJY)

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**HAVE YOUR SAY**  
Consultation period  
31 October – 16 January  
  
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## Facebook

 **Wigan Council**  
26 November at 09:00 · 🌐

Make sure you have your say on a major plan which will shape the development of the borough in the coming decades:  
[www.wigan.gov.uk/gmsf](http://www.wigan.gov.uk/gmsf)



👍 Like   💬 Comment



**6 December 2016**



**Wigan Council**

16 hrs · 🌐

As part of the Deal in Action this week in Leigh, there will be a Greater Manchester Spatial Framework drop-in session between 3pm and 7pm on Thursday 8th December at the Leigh Turnpike Centre.

Residents are encouraged to attend to find out more about the proposals and have their questions answered. Click here for more info: <http://bit.ly/2g6k3sw>



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**18 December 2016**



**Wigan Council**

Yesterday at 05:01 · 🌐

You've got more time to have your say on a major plan which will shape the development of the borough: [https://www.greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk/in.../20081/draft\\_plan](https://www.greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk/in.../20081/draft_plan)



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15 January 2017



**Wigan Council**

15 hrs · 🌐

Time is running out for you to have your say about the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework. You have until 16th January to complete the consultation and have your views heard.



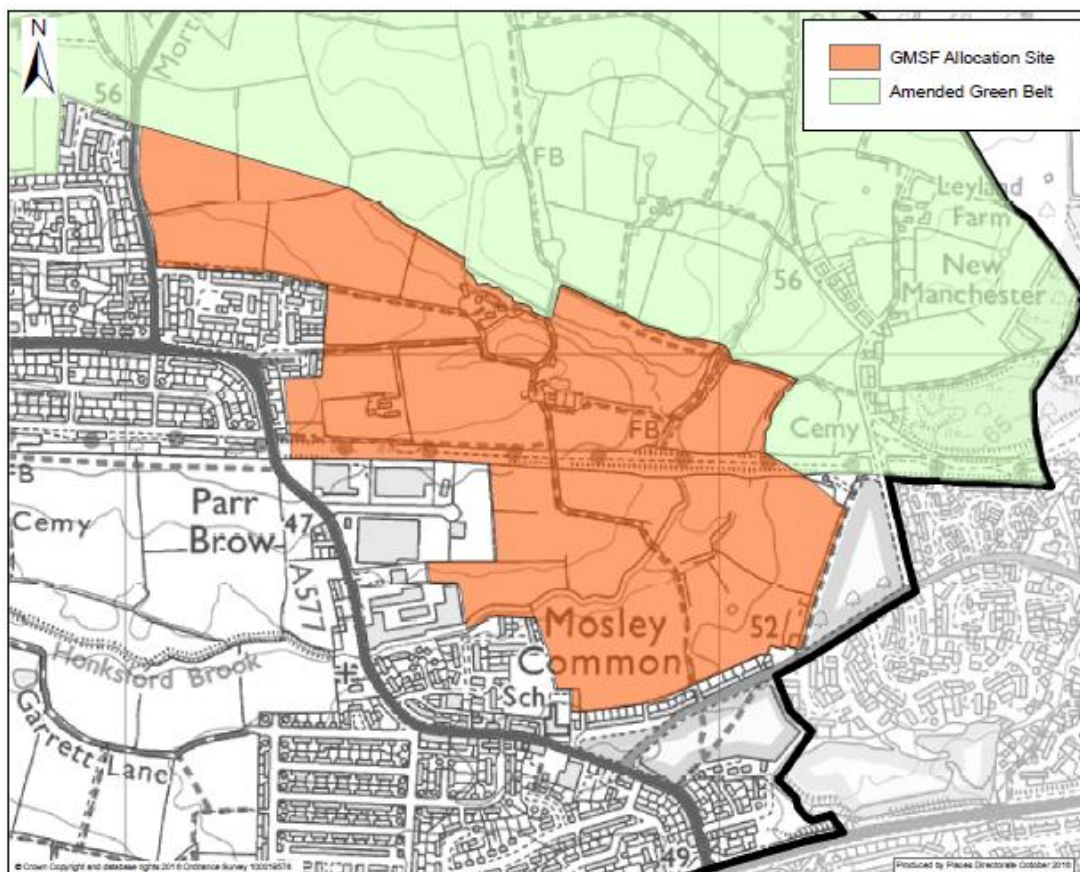
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## Appendix 1G: GMSF Consultation - Allocation Site Notice Text (Example)



### Proposed Site for Development

Land North of Mosley Common, as shown on the map below, is proposed for removal from the Green Belt for the purpose of housing development.



This proposal is part of the Draft Greater Manchester Spatial Framework (GMSF) being prepared by Wigan Council as part of the Greater Manchester Combined Authority.

For further information and to submit comments on this proposal, please go online at **[www.wigan.gov.uk/gmsf](http://www.wigan.gov.uk/gmsf)**. You can also view a paper copy of the Draft GMSF at your local library. Free access to the internet is also available at the library.

Comments must be received online, by email or in writing **by 5.00pm on 23 December 2016**.

If you would like to discuss the proposal with planners, you are invited to attend a drop-in session at **St John's Church, Mosley Common Road, Mosley Common** on **Tuesday 29 November** from **4:00pm to 7:00pm**.

Please do not remove this notice until 23 December 2016.

Wigan Council, 01942 489223/4/5

## **Appendix 2:**

### **Evidence of engagement undertaken on the Revised Draft GMSF (2019)**



## Appendix 2A: 2019 GMSF Consultation - General Email Text

Dear Sir/Madam,

### **GREATER MANCHESTER SPATIAL FRAMEWORK – CONSULTATION UNTIL 18 MARCH 2019**

I am emailing you as you are on Wigan Council's planning policy consultation database and to inform you of a current consultation.

Wigan Council is working in partnership with the nine other Greater Manchester councils to develop the **Greater Manchester Spatial Framework (GMSF)**, a new strategic plan for the city region which will run through to 2037. This plan is about providing the right homes, in the right places, for people across our city region. It's about creating jobs and improving infrastructure to ensure the future prosperity of Greater Manchester.

The plan:

- sets out how Greater Manchester should develop up until 2037;
- identifies the amount of new development that will come forward across the 10 districts, in terms of housing, offices, and industry and warehousing, and the main areas in which this will be focused;
- supports the delivery of key infrastructure, such as transport and utilities;
- protects the important environmental assets across the city region;
- allocates sites for employment and housing outside of the existing urban area; and
- defines a new Green Belt boundary for Greater Manchester

The plan talks about jobs and homes, but it's about so much more than bricks and mortar. It's about reducing inequalities, improving the lives of our residents, and transforming Greater Manchester into the world-leading city-region we know it can be.

To see further information on the GMSF, including the evidence base and how you can register to receive news on the plan's progress, visit the [GMCA website](#).

### **How to have your say:**

A Revised Draft of the GMSF is currently out for public consultation until 23:59 on **Monday 18 March 2018**. You can view and make comments on the draft plan at [www.gmconsult.org](http://www.gmconsult.org). Paper copies of the Draft GMSF and associated documents are also available to view at all [public libraries](#) in the borough.

During the consultation period there will be five drop-in sessions within the borough to enable residents to discuss the proposals in the draft plan with our planning team. Details of these are set out at [www.wigan.gov.uk/GMSF](http://www.wigan.gov.uk/GMSF).

Kind regards

**David Kearsley**

**Strategic Planning Team Leader**

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## Appendix 2B: 2019 GMSF Consultation - Wigan Post Article

Thursday, February 23, 2019 www.wiganpost.com



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Council Leader David Molyneux says it is important people make the effort to express an opinion on the plans

# A last chance to have your say on plans

By ANDREW HOWELL  
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@AndrewH00

Residents have one more chance to drop in and discuss the region's master plan for new houses and business premises.

The final public consultation event on the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework (GMSF) is taking place in the atrium at Wigan Town Hall on February 26.

Civil servants have been out and about in the borough this month, in the areas most affected, showing detailed plans to residents and taking questions from those concerned by the construction proposals.

However, there is still plenty of time for people to have their say on the spatial framework, as the online consultation only passed the halfway point on Monday.

Wigan Council leader Coun David Molyneux thanked everyone who had taken part so far, and urged anyone yet to join in to have their say while also giving his backing to the plan.

He said: "We would like to thank residents who have attended the drop-in sessions so

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far and have taken the time to fill in the consultation.

"As we reach the halfway mark, we would like to reiterate the importance of people having their say whether they agree with the draft's new direction or still have concerns.

"By having a strategic plan, we can ensure that developments are made in the right places and in the right way.

"It is right that the revised draft took into account public concerns raised in the first consultation about allocating land on the green belt.

"This new plan sees a reduction of more than 50 per cent in the amount of green belt allocated, and also protects more green land in the borough than before.

"I believe this plan strikes the right balance between

protection of our best green spaces with the need for new homes, infrastructure and employment land in Wigan borough, and I encourage those who haven't yet taken part to have their say."

Drop-in sessions have already been held for Winstanley and Hawtley, Tyldesley and Mosley Common, Atherton and Lowton and Pennington.

The final session in Wigan town centre is on Tuesday, February 26 at the town hall on Library Street before 4pm and 7pm.

Anyone who can't make it to the event can have their say online by going to [www.gm-consult.org](http://www.gm-consult.org).

Hard copies of the plan are also available to view in libraries.

## Workplace disability prejudice

Almost one in five disabled workers have had a job offer withdrawn because of their health condition.

Research by disability charity Leonard Cheshire suggested most disabled people were "frozen" out of work.

A survey of 1,600 disabled adults found three in four had stopped work because of a disability or health issue. Almost one in five who had applied for a job in the past five years said the employer withdrew the offer as a result

of their disability. A separate poll of 500 managers showed two-thirds believed the cost of making workplace adjustments were a barrier to employing a disabled person.

Leonard Cheshire boss Neil Heslop said: "Our research reveals a tough and unwelcoming employment landscape for disabled people, despite overall employment levels climbing to record highs. Most disabled people in 2016 remain frozen out of the world of work.

"More employers need to seize the opportunity of the untapped talent of disabled people. Measures exist to support individuals to get jobs or prevent those in work from falling out of employment due to a disability or health condition.

"All of us must redouble our efforts to challenge outdated attitudes to disability and accelerate the positive change that enables talented individuals to gain and keep jobs."

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## Appendix 2C: 2019 GMSF Consultation - Social Media

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**Wigan Council**  
Published by Natasha Calder [?] · 21 January at 18:00 · 🌐

The draft plan of the new Greater Manchester Spatial Framework was revealed last week and today, the official consultation launched for you to have your say. To take part in, click: <http://bit.ly/2RHaec8>

Or, head to one of the below drop in sessions to find out more.


Mosley Common: Tuesday 5 February, 4pm–7.30pm, St John's Church Lounge, Mosley Common Road, Tyldesley, M28 1AN.

Winstanley/Hawkley: Friday 8 February, 4pm–7.30pm, Highfield Grange Community Centre, Highfield Grange Avenue, Marus Bridge, Wigan, WN3 6GH.

Atherton: Monday 11 February, 4pm–8pm, Atherton Community School, Hamilton Street, Atherton, M46 0AY.

Lowton/Pennington: Thursday 14 February, 4pm–7.30pm, Lowton C of E High School, Newton Road, Lowton, WA3 1DU.

Wigan: Tuesday 26 February, 4pm–7pm, Wigan Town Hall, Atrium, Library Street, Wigan, WN1 1YN.



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### Tweets & replies

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**Wigan Council**  @WiganCouncil · 18h



Head to the [#GMSF](#) drop in session at Wigan Town Hall, Atrium, Library Street, Wigan, WN1 1YN on Tuesday 26 February, 4pm–7pm to find out more and have your views on the Plan. [#GMSF2019](#) [@GMSpatialFrame](#)



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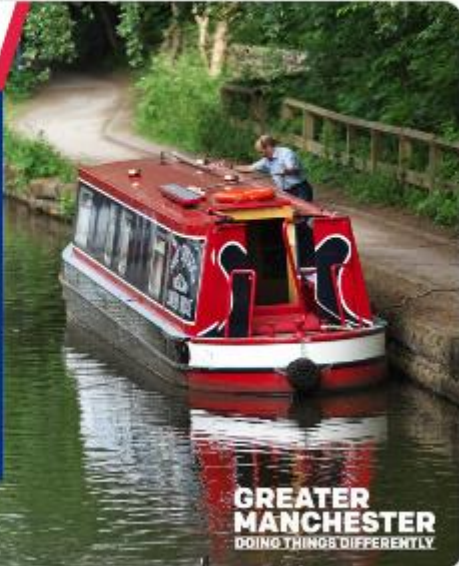
**Wigan Council** @WiganCouncil · Feb 11

Head to the #GMSF drop in session at Lowton C of E High School, Newton Road, Lowton, WA3 1DU on Thursday 14 February, 4pm–7.30pm to find out more and have your say on the Plan. #GMSF2019 @GMSpatialFrame

## What kind of place do you want Greater Manchester to be?

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Head to the #GMSF drop in session at Atherton Community School, Hamilton Street, Atherton, M46 0AY tonight 5pm–8pm #GMSF2019 @GMSpatialFrame

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Head to the #GMSF drop in session at Atherton Community School, Hamilton Street, Atherton, M46 0AY on Monday 11 February, 5pm–8pm to find out more and have your say on the Plan #GMSF2019 @GMSpatialFrame

## What kind of place do you want Greater Manchester to be?

Greater Manchester's Plan for Homes, Jobs, and the Environment

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**Wigan Council** @WiganCouncil · Feb 6

The Greater Manchester Plan for homes, jobs and the environment will help us plan for the future, ensuring people have access to good schools, transport and high quality health services. Have your say: [gmconsult.org](https://gmconsult.org) #GMSF #GMSF2019 @GMSpatialFrame

## Good schools and easy access to local health services

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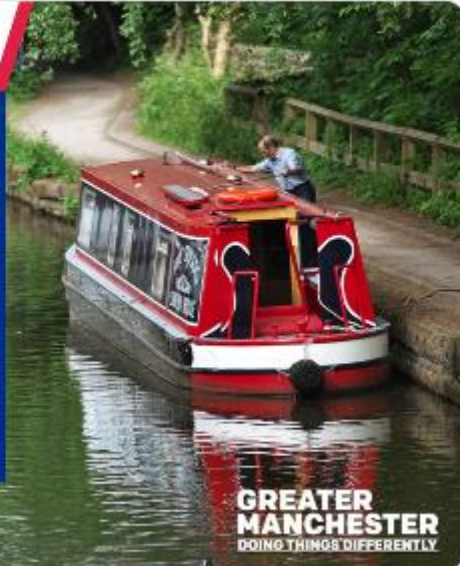
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Come to the #GMSF drop in session at Highfield Community Centre, Highfield Grange Avenue, Marus Bridge, Wigan, WN3 6GH on Friday 8 February, 4pm–7.30pm to have your say on the plan #GMSF2019 @GMSpatialFrame

## What kind of place do you want Greater Manchester to be?

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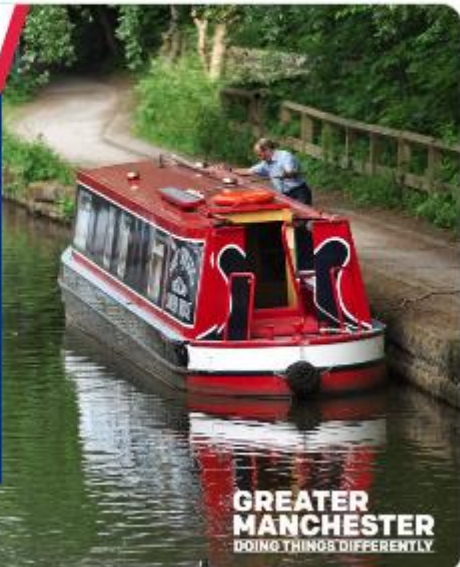
**Wigan Council** @WiganCouncil · Feb 2

Head to the #GMSF drop in session at St John's Church Lounge, Mosley Common Road, Tyldesley, M28 1AN on Tuesday 5 February, 4pm–7.30pm to find out more and have your say #GMSF2019 @GMSpatialFrame

## What kind of place do you want Greater Manchester to be?

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### **Appendix 3:**

**Evidence of engagement undertaken on the Publication version of the Places for Everyone Plan (2021)**



## Appendix 3A: 2021 Places for Everyone Consultation - General Email Text

Dear consultee,

### **Places for Everyone Joint Development Plan Document – Bolton, Bury, Manchester, Oldham, Rochdale, Salford, Tameside, Trafford, Wigan**

We are writing to you because you previously responded to a consultation on the joint development plan being prepared in Greater Manchester, have asked to be kept informed on its progress, or are included on Wigan Council's Local Plan consultation database.

The previous iteration of the plan was called the 'Greater Manchester Spatial Framework'. In December 2020, Stockport Council withdrew from the process and the plan will continue as a joint development plan of the nine other districts in Greater Manchester, now known as 'Places for Everyone'.

Public consultation on the publication version of the Places for Everyone Plan is open from Monday 9 August until **23:45 on Sunday 3 October 2021**. To view the plan and supporting documents, and to submit your comments please visit [www.gmconsult.org](http://www.gmconsult.org). In addition, information on the four site allocations proposed in Wigan Borough can also be found at [www.wigan.gov.uk/placesforeveryone](http://www.wigan.gov.uk/placesforeveryone).

Please find attached the Statement of Representations Procedure Notice which explains the procedure for making representations at the next stage of the plan, including where the documents are available for inspection.

You may have also received communication regarding the Places for Everyone Plan from the Greater Manchester Combined Authority. This maybe because you have registered an interest in more than one place. If you no longer wish to be contacted about the Places for Everyone Plan, please email [planningpolicy@wigan.gov.uk](mailto:planningpolicy@wigan.gov.uk).

Kind regards,

**David Kearsley**

**Strategic Planning Team Leader**

Places Directorate Economy and Environment

Wigan Council

Wigan Life Centre (South site), College Avenue, Wigan WN1 1NJ

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## **Appendix 3B: 2021 Places for Everyone Consultation - Elected Member Email Text**

Dear all Ward Councillors,

### **Public Consultation: Places for Everyone Joint Development Plan Document – Bolton, Bury, Manchester, Oldham, Rochdale, Salford, Tameside, Trafford, Wigan**

As agreed at Full Council on 21 July, public consultation on the publication version of the Places for Everyone Plan is now open until **23:45pm on Sunday 3 October 2021**.

As you will be aware, the Places for Everyone Plan will be a long-term plan of the above nine districts for jobs, new homes, and sustainable growth and will help meet the city-region's needs up until 2037. It replaces the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework which is no longer being taken forward following the withdrawal of Stockport Council from the joint plan in December 2020.

Residents can view the plan and supporting documents, and submit comments on the Greater Manchester Combined Authority website at [www.gmconsult.org](http://www.gmconsult.org). Hard copies of the Plan can also be viewed at Wigan Library and Leigh Library.

Details on the 4 site allocations proposed in the borough at M6 Junction 25, North of Mosley Common, Pocket Nook in Lowton, and West of Gibfield, and details of the 6 proposed Green Belt additions in the borough can also be viewed at [www.wigan.gov.uk/placesforeveryone](http://www.wigan.gov.uk/placesforeveryone).

Notification letters and emails have been sent to all contacts on both the GMCA and Wigan Council planning databases, and site notices have been erected around the 4 proposed site allocations and 6 proposed Green Belt additions.

If residents contact you regarding the Places for Everyone Plan during the consultation period, please can you direct them to the above websites as appropriate.

The attached Statement of Representations Procedure Notice formally explains the procedure for making comments at this stage, including where the documents are available for inspection.

If you have any issues or queries, feel free to get in touch.

Kind regards,

**David Kearsley**

**Strategic Planning Team Leader**

Places Directorate Economy and Environment

Wigan Council

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## **Appendix 3C: 2021 Places for Everyone Consultation - Mosley Common Landowner Email**

Dear consultee,

### **Places for Everyone Joint Development Plan Document – Bolton, Bury, Manchester, Oldham, Rochdale, Salford, Tameside, Trafford, Wigan**

As a landowner, resident or occupier of land north of Mosley Common, we are writing to notify you that public consultation on the Publication version of the above plan is open from 9 August – 3 October 2021.

The previous iteration of the plan was called the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework (GMSF). In December 2020, Stockport Council withdrew from the process and the plan is continuing as a joint development plan of the nine other districts in Greater Manchester, now known as 'Places for Everyone'.

Like the GMSF, the Publication version of the Places for Everyone Plan includes a proposed housing allocation on land north of Mosley Common for around 1,100 new homes. Further information on this site, including the proposed policy, a summary of the evidence supporting its allocation, and details on how to submit comments is available at [www.wigan.gov.uk/placesforeveryone](http://www.wigan.gov.uk/placesforeveryone).

Please find enclosed the Statement of Representations Procedure Notice which explains the procedure for making representations at the next stage of the plan, including where the documents are available for inspection. Consultation is open from 9 August 2021 until **23:45 on Sunday 3 October 2021**.

The Places for Everyone Plan is being prepared by the Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA) on behalf of Wigan Council and the other 8 Greater Manchester districts. Whilst you are registered on the Wigan Council consultation database, you may not be included on the GMCA consultation database for future notifications. To register, please notify the GMCA by email at [placesforeveryone@greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk](mailto:placesforeveryone@greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk), providing your name and email address.

**David Kearsley**

**Strategic Planning Team Leader**

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## **Appendix 3D: 2021 Places for Everyone Consultation – Statement of Representation Procedure Notice**

### **Statement of Representation Procedure Notice**

#### **(Regulation 19: The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012)**

**August 2021**

This statement relates to the Places for Everyone Joint Development Plan Publication Draft 2021 (PfE2021). A brief explanation of the background of this document and its relationship to other development plan documents being produced by the relevant nine Greater Manchester districts is provided below.

### **Background**

In 2014, the ten Greater Manchester local authorities agreed to prepare a joint Development Plan Document, the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework (GMSF), with the GMCA co-ordinating its production on behalf of the ten districts. In December 2020, Stockport Council took the decision to withdraw from the GMSF. Subsequently, the nine remaining authorities (Bolton, Bury, Manchester, Oldham, Rochdale, Salford, Trafford, Tameside and Wigan), agreed to continue to progress a joint Development Plan Document for themselves, known as Places for Everyone, which will form part of their individual district local plans.

PfE2021 provides the strategic policy framework for the districts including the overall scale and distribution of development, the spatial strategy, strategic site allocations and Green Belt boundary amendments together with a number of strategic thematic policies which will be used to manage development and determine planning applications in the individual districts. PfE2021 is accompanied by a Policies Map which shows the allocations and designations in the Plan.

### **Documents available for inspection**

PfE2021 and supporting/background evidence documents are published on the GMCA Website on behalf of the nine districts. Additionally, copies of PfE2021 documentation will be made available in accordance with the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 and the requirements of each district's Statement of Community Involvement (SCI). In Wigan, a hard copy of the PfE 2021 Plan is available at Wigan Library and Leigh Library.

### **Period of Submission for Representations**

Representations are invited on the PfE 2021, Publication Draft for a period of eight weeks from Monday 9th August until 23:45 3rd October 2021.

Representations at this stage should only relate to PfE2021 and its supporting/evidence base documents which have been published alongside it.

Comments made previously, during stages of consultation in relation to the GMSF, have been summarised in the Statement of Consultation report, which will form part of the submission documentation.

Whilst representations may be made on any point in respect of PfE2021 and its supporting/evidence base documents, only those pertaining to the four tests of soundness<sup>1</sup> will be taken into account by the Inspector at the Examination.

## **How to make representations**

Representations can be made by

Preferably completing the online response form at: [www.gmconsult.org](http://www.gmconsult.org)

Alternatively, downloading the response form available on the GMCA Website and emailing it to [placesforeveryone@greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk](mailto:placesforeveryone@greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk)

You can also submit your comments to us by:

- email to: [placesforeveryone@greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk](mailto:placesforeveryone@greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk)
- post to: The Planning and Housing Team, Greater Manchester Combined Authority, Broadhurst House, 56 Oxford Street, Manchester, M1 6EU

## **What Happens Next**

Once the period for making representations finishes, it is intended to submit the PfE2021 Plan to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government so that it can be assessed through an Examination in Public by an appointed Planning Inspector(s).

It will be the role of the Independent Planning Inspector(s) to examine whether the plan meets the tests of soundness in the National Planning Policy Framework and meets all the relevant legislative requirements. All representations received before the deadline will be submitted electronically to the Secretary of State for consideration by the Planning Inspector(s) as part of the Examination in Public. Comments and names will be published. Full details of how your information will be shared can be found in the PfE2021 Privacy Notice.

Please refer to the representation guidance notes when preparing representations.

## **How to participate in the Examination**

By using the response form you will be asked whether you wish to participate in the Examination and whether you wish to be notified of any of the following:

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<sup>1</sup> Plans are sound if they are: positively prepared; justified; effective; and consistent with national policy (National Planning Policy Framework, paragraph 35)

- Submission of the PfE2021 for independent examination.
- Publication of the Inspector's Report on the Examination of the PfE2021.
- The adoption of the PfE2021

Alternatively, if you make representations by email or by letter, you should state whether you wish to participate in the Examination and/or be kept informed of the progress of PfE2021.

## **Appendix 3E: 2021 Places for Everyone Consultation – Website Text**

### **Places for Everyone Plan**

The Council is working in partnership with the Greater Manchester Combined Authority and eight other Greater Manchester districts (Bolton, Bury, Manchester, Oldham, Rochdale, Salford, Tameside, and Trafford) to prepare a joint development plan called Places for Everyone.

Places for Everyone is a long-term plan of the nine districts for jobs, new homes, and sustainable growth and will help meet the city-region's needs up until 2037. It replaces the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework which is no longer being taken forward following the withdrawal of Stockport Council from the joint plan in December 2020.

The Publication version of the Places for Everyone Plan is being consulted on from 9 August – 3 October 2021. For further information on the Plan and the supporting evidence, and to submit comments, please visit [www.gmconsult.org](http://www.gmconsult.org). A hard copy of the Places for Everyone Plan can be viewed at both Wigan Library and Leigh Library.

In relation to Wigan Borough, the plan proposes the following four site allocations – click on the links below for more details:

- M6 Junction 25, Wigan
- North of Mosley Common
- Pocket Nook, Lowton
- West of Gibfield, Atherton

The plan also proposes 6 additions to the Green Belt in the borough.

- Proposed Green Belt additions

### **Proposed site allocation: M6 Junction 25, Wigan**

Land at M6 Junction 25 is proposed to be allocated for around 140,000 square metres of employment floorspace, as part of the Places for Everyone Plan.

Planning permission for employment development was granted on this site in July 2021. Delivery in accordance with this planning approval is not dependent on the site's allocation in the Places for Everyone Plan. Its allocation in the plan will remove the site from the Green Belt.

The proposed policy, site allocation boundary, and a Topic Paper providing an overview of the site and a summary of the evidence supporting its allocation are available below.

- Proposed site allocation policy
- Proposed site allocation boundary
- M6 Junction 25 Topic Paper



### **Proposed site allocation: North of Mosley Common**

Land North of Mosley Common is proposed to be allocated for around 1,100 homes as part of the Places for Everyone Plan.

The development would be required to provide good quality road access into the site including from Mort Lane, Bridgewater Road and Silk Mill Street with choices of connection across the site.

This site significantly benefits from the Leigh-Salford-Manchester Guided Busway which crosses the site providing direct and sustainable rapid public transport access to employment, leisure and retail services within Manchester City Centre and other places along its route. The development would be required to provide an additional busway stop and/or provide improved pedestrian and cycling links to existing stops, and contribute effectively to increased passenger capacity on the busway as appropriate.

The development will also be required to provide new community, health and education facilities on-site, or an equivalent financial contribution as appropriate, to meet additional demand generated by the new homes.

The proposed policy, site allocation boundary, indicative concept plan, and a Topic Paper providing an overview of the site and a summary of the evidence supporting its allocation are available below.

- Proposed site allocation policy
- Proposed site allocation boundary
- Indicative concept plan
- North of Mosley Common Topic Paper

### **Proposed site allocation: Pocket Nook, Lowton**

Land at Pocket Nook is proposed to be allocated for around 600 homes and 15,000 square metres of employment floorspace on land currently safeguarded for future development in the adopted development plan. The site is not within the Green Belt.

The site would be principally served from a new junction on the A579 Atherleigh Way, close to its junction with the A580. The development would be required to deliver a new road from Atherleigh Way through the site to Newton Road and would need to bridge the proposed HS2 route, which runs north-south through the west of the site. This road would serve both new housing and employment development and would be able to accommodate bus services.

There is potential to enhance sustainable travel opportunities by foot, cycle and public transport in the Lowton and Golborne area for employment and other services in Leigh and the Regional Centre, consequently reducing car dependency in this area; and, with possible connections to Leigh Guided Busway services. It is also important that safe and convenient pedestrian access is provided to green spaces within and adjacent to the site.

The proposed policy, site allocation boundary, indicative concept plan, and a Topic Paper providing an overview of the site and a summary of the evidence supporting its allocation are available below.

- Proposed site allocation policy
- Proposed site allocation boundary
- Indicative concept plan
- Pocket Nook Topic Paper

### **Proposed site allocation: West of Gibfield**

Land West of Gibfield is proposed to be allocated for around 500 homes and 45,500 square metres of employment floorspace as part of the Places for Everyone Plan.

The development will be required to make highway improvement measures at the junction of the A577 and Gibfield Park Way, extend Gibfield Park Way northwards and contribute effectively towards the provision of appropriate highway mitigation measures to provide enhanced access to/from the A6 and Junction 5 of the M61. This includes safeguarding land within the allocation so as not to jeopardise the potential future delivery of a strategic link road connecting Gibfield Park Way to the A6 and M61.

The employment development would be delivered in the south east of the allocation as a logical extension to the existing employment area at Gibfield Park. It is envisaged that this will consist predominantly of light industrial uses, with the potential of creating in the region of 500-1,000 new jobs.

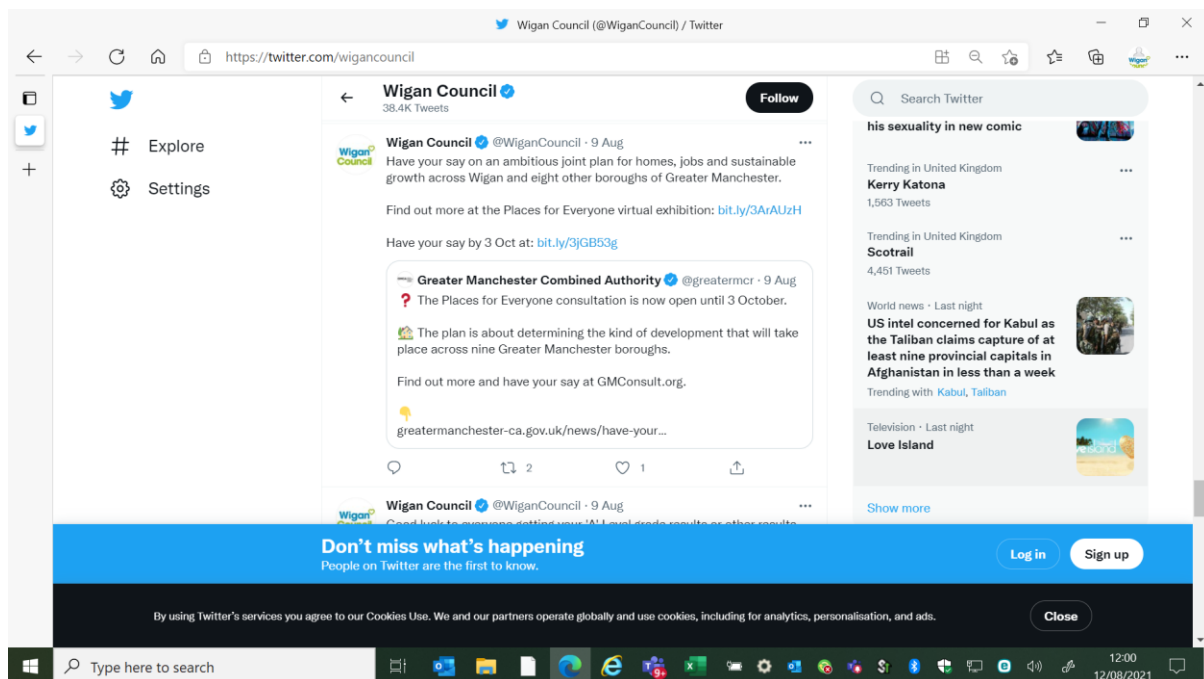
The scheme would also provide a substantive accessible green corridor and country park on land to the west of the development, on land which would remain in the Green Belt, providing wildlife habitats and recreational space for existing and future residents to enjoy. The country park will help to offset ecological harm and enable the achievement of at least a 10% biodiversity net gain, as well as improving access from the site to Daisy Hill railway station by walking and cycling.

The proposed policy, site allocation boundary, indicative concept plan, and a Topic Paper providing an overview of the site and a summary of the evidence supporting its allocation are available below.

- Proposed site allocation policy
- Proposed site allocation boundary
- Indicative concept plan
- West of Gibfield Topic Paper

## Appendix 3F: 2021 Places for Everyone Consultation – Social Media

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It sets out how we will make the most of our brownfield sites for the benefit of the people that live here.

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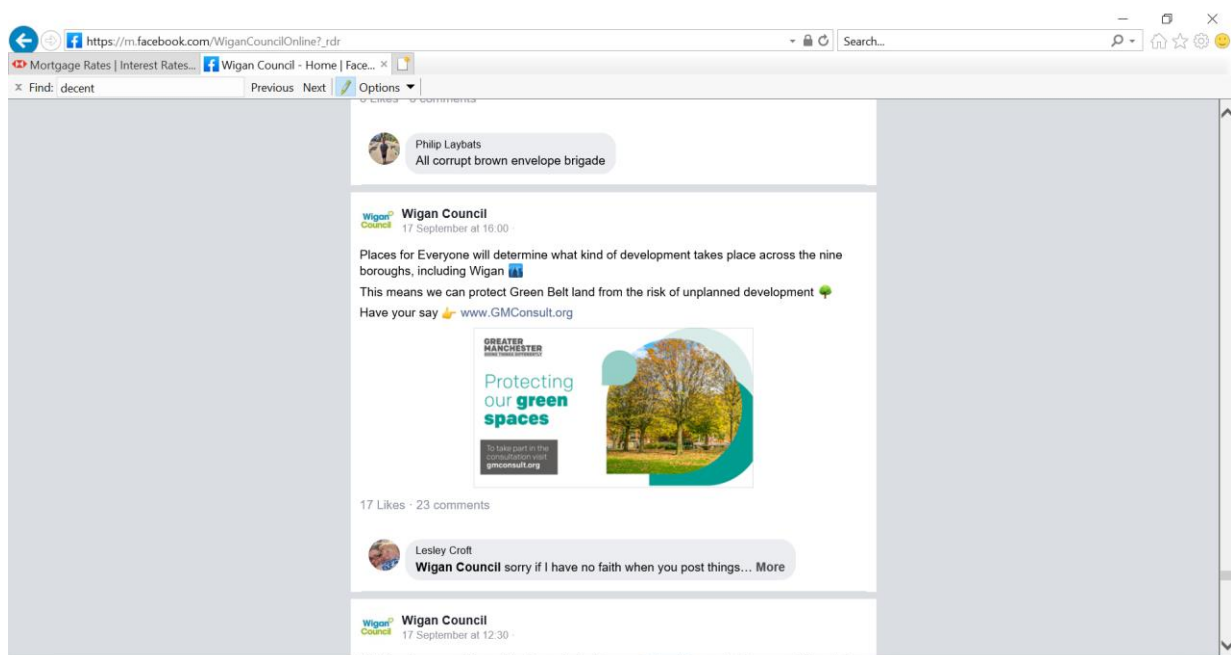


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Want to find out more about Places for Everyone and how you can have your say?  
Visit the virtual exhibition space to get all the information you need on this ambitious plan that sets out the future of nine boroughs, including Wigan up until 2037.  
Take a look 🙌 <https://placesforeveryone.consultation.ai>

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## Ambitious regional plan for homes, green spaces and town centres

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By Andrew Nowell

Thursday, 15th July 2021, 4:45 am



Wigan Council leader Coun David Molyneux says the document's aims coincide with many of the town hall's ambitions for the borough, but acknowledged some people may be worried about what is planned.

He urged residents to have their say when a public consultation on the plan opens later this year.



## Appendix 3G: 2021 Places for Everyone Consultation – Wigan Evening Post 15/07/21

**New building plan aims to provide place for all**

By ANDREW NORTON  
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An ambitious regional plan to build new homes, rejuvenate green spaces and improve town centres has been unveiled.

Political leaders have revealed Places For Everyone, the plan for nine boroughs, including Wigan, which is the successor to the ill-fated Greater Manchester Spatial Framework.

Wigan Council leader Coun David Molyneux says the document's aims coincide with many of the town hall's ambitions for the borough, but acknowledged some people may be worried about what's planned.

He urged residents to have their say when a public consultation on the plan opens later this year.

Places For Everyone has been published ahead of a meeting next week and sets out a long-term plan for jobs, new homes, and sustainable growth.

It wants to determine the end of development that takes place across the city region, maximising the use of brownfield land and urban areas while protecting green belt land from the risk of uncontrolled development and ensuring all new construction is sustainably integrated into Greater Manchester's transport network, or joined by new infrastructure.

The plan was developed after Stockport pulled out of the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework and opted to develop its own local proposals for the future instead.

The remaining nine boroughs, including Wigan, have chosen to continue working together and the publication of the scheme has been greeted positively by town hall political leaders.

Coun Molyneux said: "It is vital for future generations that we get these plans right, to create good jobs and homes, the right infrastructure to support them and meet our environmental targets.

"The Places for Everyone masterplan's vision for sustainable growth also coordinates with the aims of our own Recovery Strategy.

"We will continue to listen to residents' concerns and I would urge them to have their say in the consultation process scheduled for later this year."

Since receiving feedback on the spatial framework, the boroughs have worked to reduce the impact on green belt land by 60 per cent in the new plan compared to the 2016 one.

In total, 90 per cent of the housing allocations in the new plan are in urban areas and Greater Manchester has already committed £9m from the Government's Brownfield Housing Fund to unlock 57 sites for the development of at least 5,500 new homes, with more than 2,000 of them being affordable.

Greater Manchester leaders want to continue promoting investment in town centres, with particular targets for increasing spending in the north of the conurbation.

The plan is also decided to help the city-region achieve its targets to reduce inequality and address problems in housing, jobs and skills.

Earlier this year, the Greater Manchester Homelessness Prevention Strategy set a target of delivering 30,000 zero-carbon homes for social rent, while the new Retrofitting Task Force will bring together partners from local and national government, investors, education providers and energy suppliers to address the challenge of making homes and buildings energy efficient and fit for a low-carbon future.

Places for Everyone also sits alongside Transport for Greater Manchester's long-term plans and wants to ensure new housing and commercial sites are accessible by public transport and promote active travel, such as cycling.

The plan will be reviewed by councillors in all nine boroughs involved and it is hoped an eight-week consultation will then run between August and October.

Mayor of Greater Manchester Andy Burnham said: "Greater Manchester is setting out a clear and ambitious vision for new homes, enhanced green spaces and revitalised town centres.

"Linked to our plans for a zero-carbon future and good jobs and growth, this vision represents a major milestone as our city-region maps out its recovery from the pandemic.

"If we want to build back from the pandemic in a way that brings everyone with us and strikes at the root of inequality, we need a plan that strengthens our economy and our society against future challenges, and puts us in the best position to take advantage of new opportunities.

"Work is well under way to transform our urban centres by delivering good quality homes, sustainable public transport, and regeneration of the kind that will genuinely 'level up' our places.

"By building more low-carbon homes and equipping people with new retrofit skills, we can also help to meet our goal of carbon neutrality by 2038 and lay the foundations for investment in green industry and innovation.

"We can no longer accept that the car is always king, and Places for Everyone will set out where inclusive growth can take place in areas well connected by an accessible, affordable, high-quality public transport infrastructure - our Bee Network.

"We all share the same priorities: we want to see better homes, better jobs, and better transport for everyone in our city-region.

"Everything we do is driven by that vision, and whether through Places for Everyone or other projects like the Homelessness Prevention Strategy and our plans for a world-class integrated transport network, we will continue to work together right across Greater Manchester to create a place where we can all succeed."

Greater Manchester Mayor Andy Burnham and, right, Wigan Council Leader David Molyneux



# Opinion

I MUST start this month's column by marking the incredibly sad passing of my predecessor as leader of the council, Lord Peter Smith.

In addition to having the honour of serving alongside him we were also friends for more than four decades. He was a remarkable individual in many ways.

A fierce champion for Wigan Borough and Leigh, in particular, he leaves a significant and lasting legacy through his long and dedicated career as a public servant.

We will miss his experience and wisdom within the corridors of the town hall and I will personally miss our friendship.

Our thoughts continue to be with his family and friends at this time and the flags at Wigan and Leigh town halls have been flying at half mast as a sign of respect.

The announcement last week that the Rugby League World Cup has been postponed is extremely disappointing, but understandable given the circumstances.

As rugby league fans – and with our borough one of the heartlands of the game – we all want the tournament to go ahead with the best players in the world competing.

BY DAVID  
MOLYNEUX

Wigan Council leader

As a host location, we remain committed to supporting the delivery of the tournament and will continue to work closely with the organisers to see how we can move forward to 2022.

On a more positive note, it has been fantastic to see our borough



athletes competing in the Olympics over the past few weeks and a special mention must be reserved for Keely Hodgkinson.

They will have all provided inspiration for our next generation and several will have many more opportunities for medals in the future.

I'm sure everyone will join me in watching the Paralympics later in the month.

This week has also seen the start of an important consultation that sets out housing, infrastructure and jobs plans across the majority of Greater Manchester for decades.

Places for Everyone, which has evolved from the previous GM Spatial Framework proposals, shares many of its goals with the aims of our own Recovery Strategy.

It's important therefore that as many of you as possible have your say in the consultation period, which lasts until early October.

The consultation is the final stage in the preparation of the plan before it is ready to be submitted to the Secretary of State.

Go to [www.GMConsult.org](http://www.GMConsult.org) to take part



Lord Smith

## Appendix 3H: 2021 Places for Everyone Consultation – My Wigan Borough Updates

### Places for Everyone public consultation

Now is the time to have your say on the ambitious joint development plan for homes, jobs and sustainable growth across nine boroughs of Greater Manchester, including Wigan.

The public consultation on Places for Everyone started this week, and will run for eight weeks until 3 October.

Residents, businesses and local groups are encouraged to take part in the consultation on the plan, which has now been approved by councils in Bolton, Bury, Manchester, Oldham, Rochdale, Salford, Tameside, Trafford and Wigan.

The consultation is the final stage in the preparation of the plan before it is ready to be submitted to the Secretary of State.

For full details on the plans for Wigan Borough and how to get involved with the consultation, please use the link below:

[Wigan Borough - Places for Everyone](#)

### Places for Everyone virtual event

A virtual event that will give more detail on the ambitious joint development plan for homes, jobs, and sustainable growth across nine boroughs of Greater Manchester will be held on Monday September 13 at 4pm.

Places for Everyone will determine how Wigan will develop up until 2037, along with Bolton, Bury, Manchester, Oldham, Rochdale, Salford, Tameside and Trafford.

To book a slot, please email [engagement@greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk](mailto:engagement@greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk) giving your name, organisation and any specific question you might want answering.

All residents are also invited to take part in an online consultation, which calls for views on the Green Belt boundary, infrastructure, housing, and employment sites.

[Click here for more information on the event](#)

[Click here to respond to the consultation, which will run until October 3](#)

### Deadline approaching for Places for Everyone consultation

The consultation for Greater Manchester's Places for Everyone (PFE) masterplan closes this weekend so please take your chance to have your say.

PFE is a development framework for Bolton, Bury, Manchester, Oldham, Rochdale, Salford, Tameside, Trafford and Wigan councils. It is helping the local authorities identify enough land to meet local housing and employment need and determining the kind of development that will take place across the nine boroughs.

This plan has built on the evidence used for previous drafts of the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework (GMSF) as well as the views the public gave during consultations on that plan.

[Click here to respond to the consultation, which will run until October 3](#)

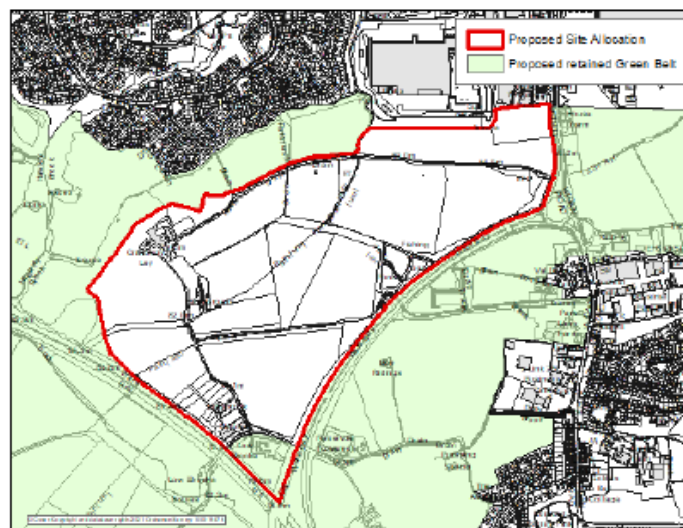


## Appendix 3I: 2021 Places for Everyone Consultation – Allocation Site Notices

Places for Everyone

# Proposed Site Allocation

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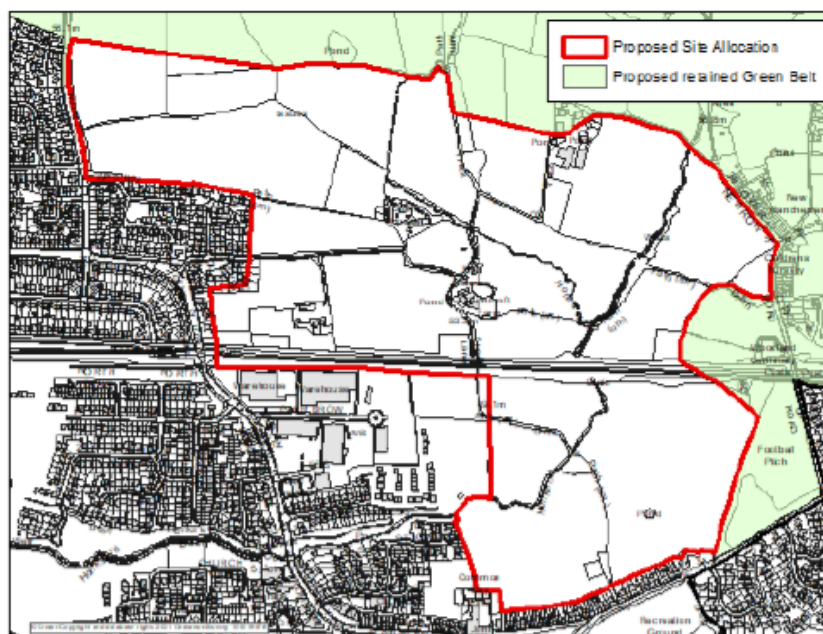
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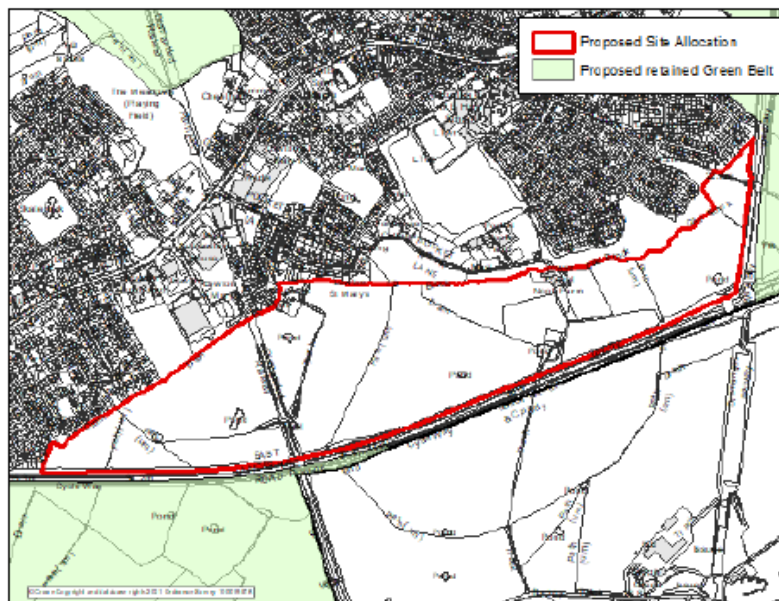
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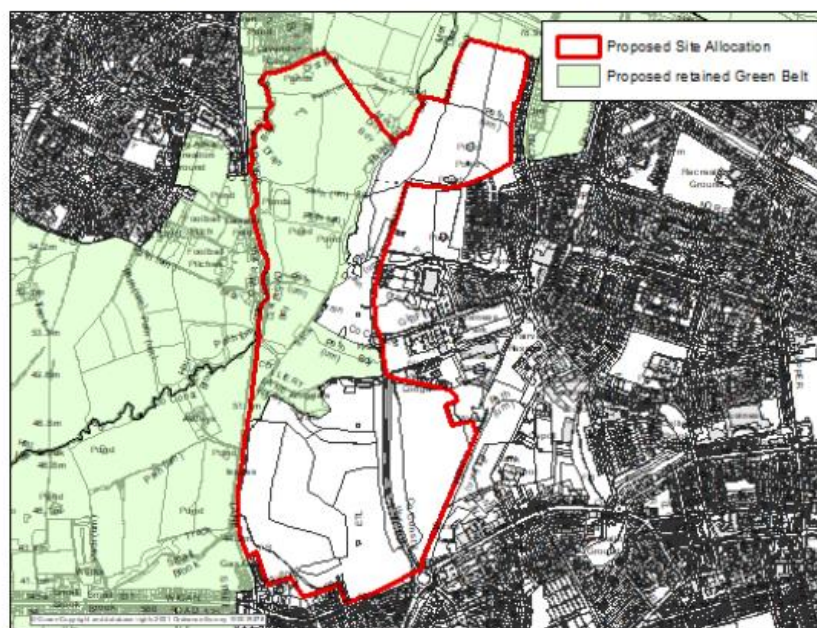


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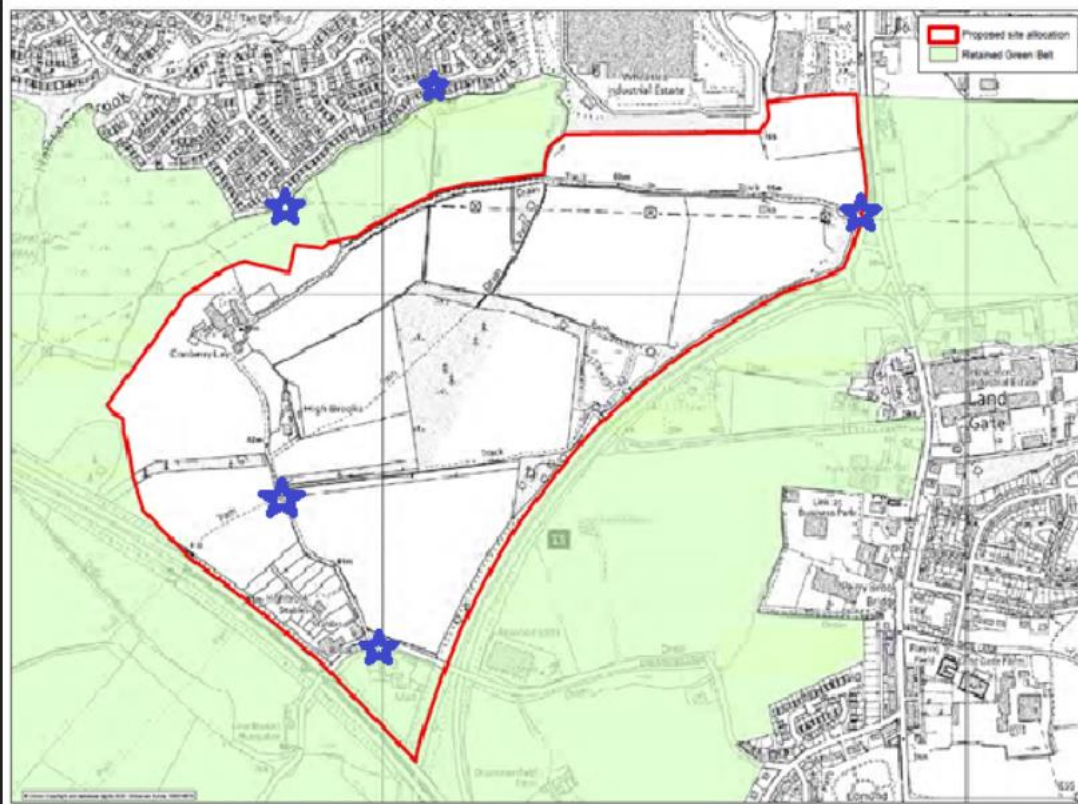
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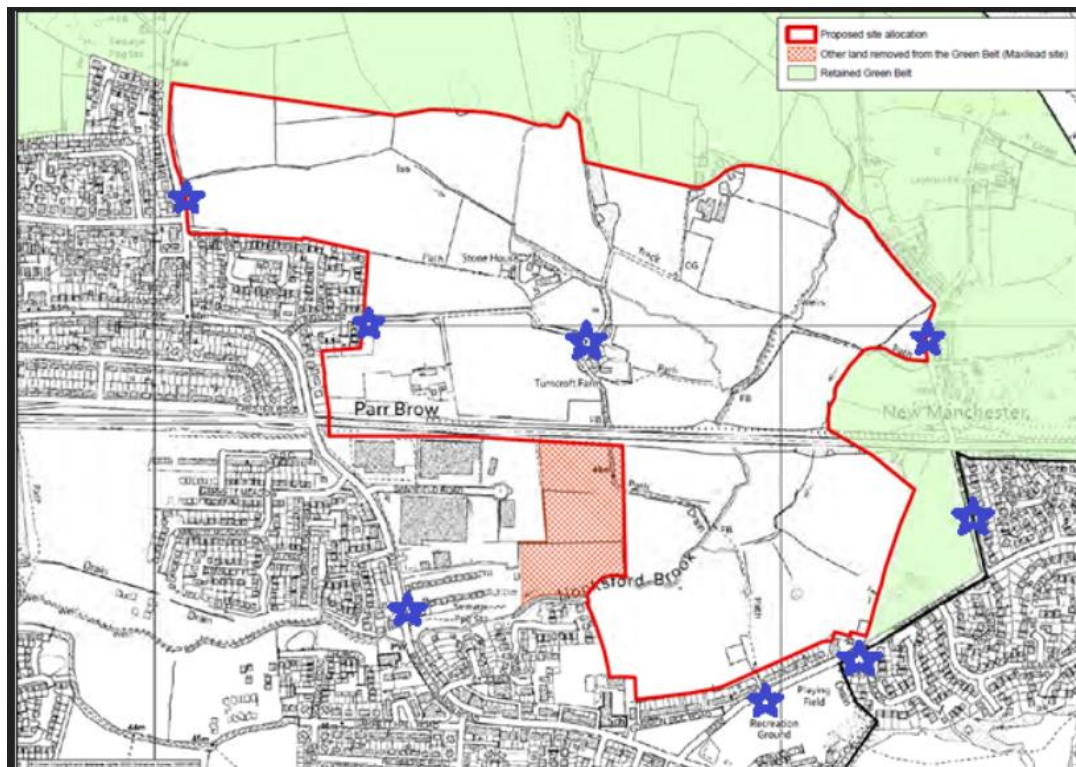
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## Appendix 3I: 2021 Places for Everyone Consultation – Site Notice Locations

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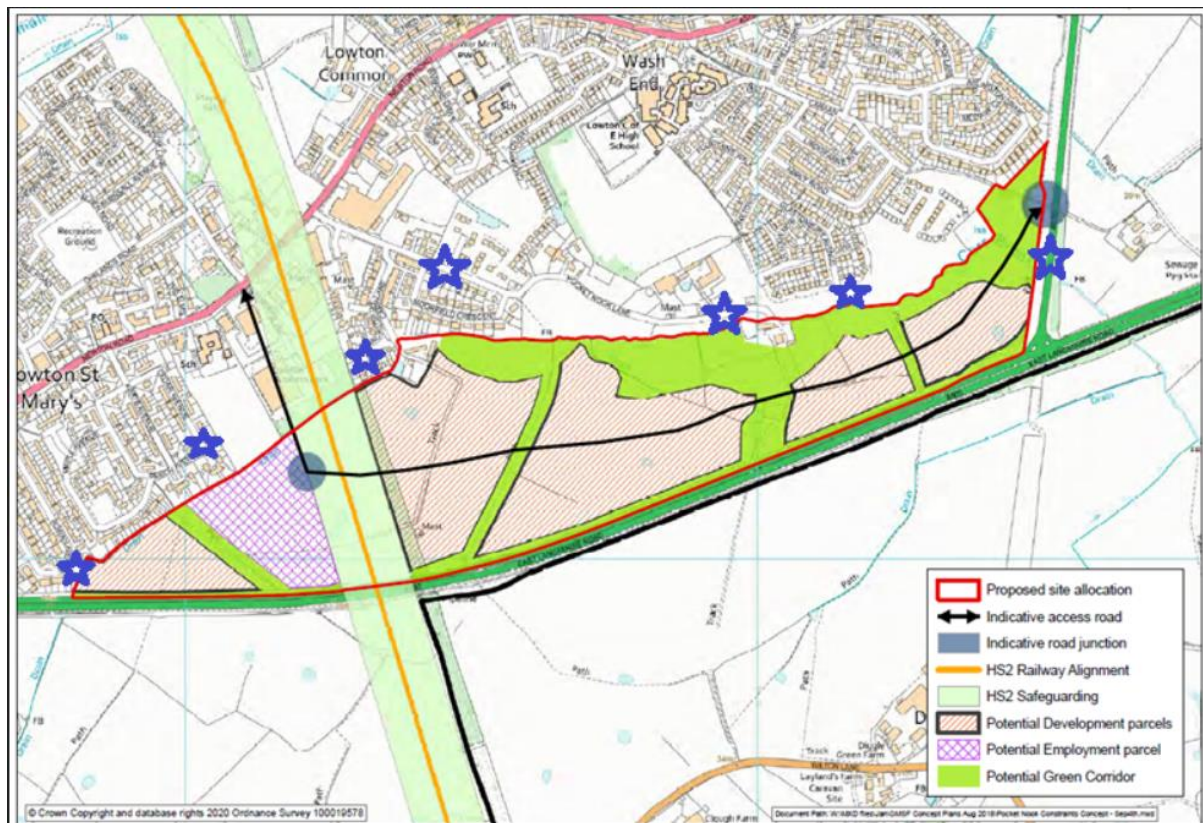


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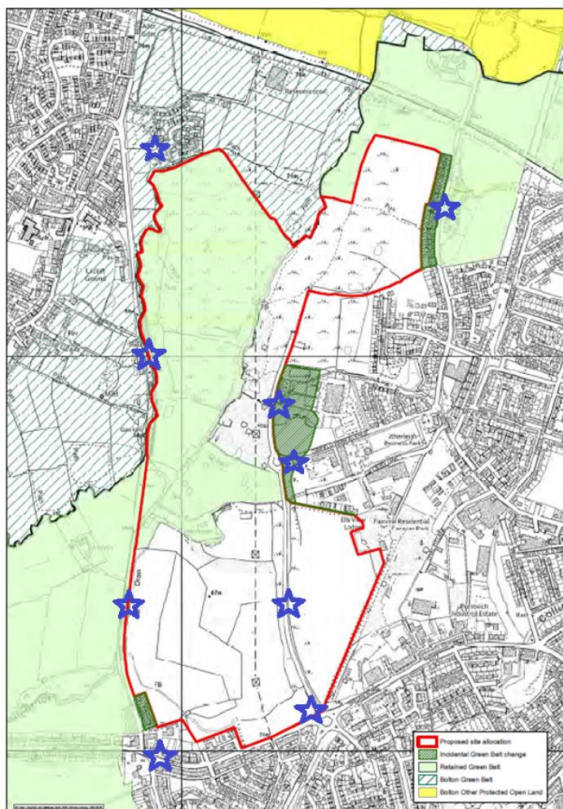




## Pocket Nook



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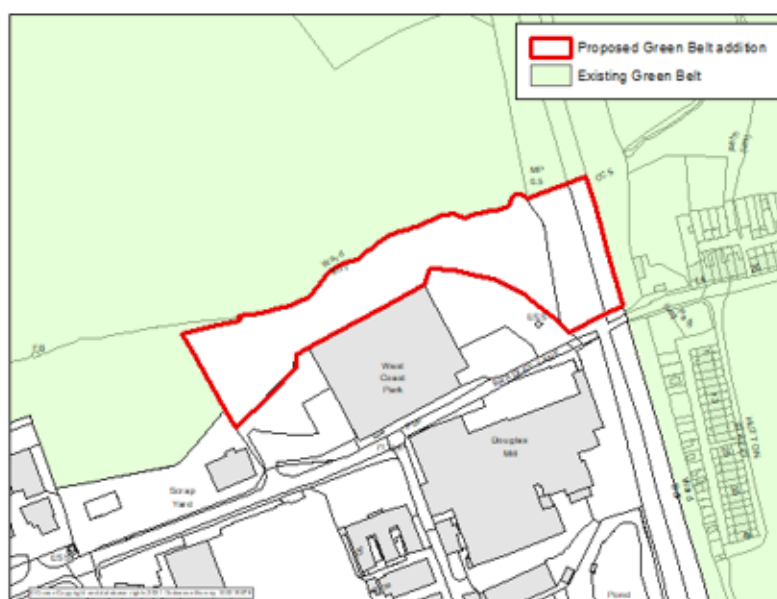


## Appendix 3J: 2021 Places for Everyone Consultation – Green Belt Addition Site Notice (Example)

Places for Everyone

# Proposed Green Belt Addition

Land at North of Bradley Lane, Standish is proposed to be designated as Green Belt, as part of the 'Places for Everyone' Joint Development Plan.



Places for Everyone is a long-term plan of nine Greater Manchester districts (Bolton, Bury, Manchester, Oldham, Rochdale, Salford, Tameside, Trafford and Wigan) for jobs, new homes, and sustainable growth. It has been prepared by the Greater Manchester Combined Authority on behalf of the nine districts

In partnership with nine districts, it will help meet the city-region's needs up until 2037.

For further information on the plan and supporting evidence, and to submit your comments please visit [www.gmconsult.org](http://www.gmconsult.org)

If you cannot access this information online, please call 0161 778 7006, where you can leave your name and telephone number on an answerphone and someone will return your call.

**Consultation is open from 9 August 2021 to 3 October 2021.**



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