

London Borough of Lambeth

Local Development Scheme

May 2024

1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Local Development Scheme (LDS) is the programme for preparation of Lambeth's Local Plan and associated planning policy documents, such as supplementary planning documents (SPDs). Along with the London Plan and neighbourhood development plans, the Local Plan is the statutory development plan for the borough.
- 1.2 The procedure for preparation and review of Local Plans is set out in the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.
- 1.3 This LDS document sets out:
 - The current position with neighbourhood plans (Table 1)
 - The timetable for preparation of a Site Allocations Development Plan Document (Table 2)
 - Existing Supplementary Planning Documents (Table 3)
 - The timetable for preparation of new Supplementary Planning Documents (Table 4)
 - The timetable for preparation of the revised Local Plan (Table 5)
- 1.4 Progress with implementation of the LDS will be reported annually in the Authority's Monitoring Report.

2. Context

- 2.1 The current Lambeth Local Plan was adopted on 22 September 2021. The Local Plan sets the vision and objectives for the spatial development of the borough within the context of London's regional development strategy, which is currently the London Plan 2021. The Lambeth Local Plan covers the fifteen-year period 2020 to 2035.

National planning policy

- 2.2 The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) sets the national policy context for preparation of local plans. Local plans and other development plan documents must be consistent with national policy and should enable the delivery of sustainable development in accordance with the policies in the Framework. This is enshrined in the 'tests of soundness' against which local plans are examined. The current version of the NPPF dates from December 2023.

Regional planning policy

- 2.3 Under the legislation establishing the Greater London Authority (Greater London Authority Act 1999), the Mayor has to produce a spatial development strategy - which has become known as 'the London Plan' - and keep it under review. London borough local development documents (such as local plans) must be 'in general conformity' with the London Plan. The current version is the London Plan 2021.

- 2.4 The Mayor adopted a new Mayoral Community Infrastructure Levy (MCIL2) and commenced levying MCIL2 charges from April 2019. MCIL2 charges supersede the previous MCIL1 levies and the associated planning obligations/section 106 charge scheme applicable in central London.
- 2.5 Lambeth adopted a revised CIL Charging Schedule in September 2021, which came into effect on 1 January 2022. The revised Lambeth CIL Charging Schedule takes account of MCIL2.

Lambeth Community Strategy

- 2.6 In 2023 Lambeth Council approved a new Borough Plan, 'Lambeth 2030: Our Future, Our Lambeth' which is the Community Strategy for Lambeth. This includes three key ambitions for Lambeth by 2030:
- Making Lambeth Neighbourhoods Fit for the Future
 - Making Lambeth One of the Safest Boroughs in London
 - Making Lambeth A Place We Can All Call Home

Statement of Community Involvement

- 2.7 Lambeth adopted its current Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) in October 2020.

Neighbourhood plans

- 2.8 Table 1 below sets out the current status of neighbourhood plan preparation in Lambeth.

Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs)

- 2.9 Lambeth currently has four adopted supplementary planning documents, which remain relevant as supplementary guidance to the Lambeth Local Plan 2021. These are listed in Table 3 below.
- 2.10 In addition, two new SPDs will be prepared to support implementation of the Lambeth Local Plan 2021. Table 4 sets out the anticipated timetable for preparation of new SPDs.

Table 1: Neighbourhood planning in Lambeth May 2024

Forum/Area	Current position
South Bank and Waterloo Neighbours (SoWN)	Neighbourhood forum and area designated February 2014; area designated as a business area. The neighbourhood forum was re-designated in February 2019. The SoWN Neighbourhood Plan was made by Lambeth Council's Cabinet on 16 December 2019. The Neighbourhood Plan was published on 15 January 2020.
Kennington Oval Vauxhall Forum (KOVF)	Neighbourhood forum and area designated July 2015. Pre-submission consultation on a draft neighbourhood development plan ended in May 2018. Forum re-designated in June 2021.
Tulse Hill Neighbourhood Forum	Neighbourhood forum and area designated January 2016. Forum designation now expired.
Norwood Planning Assembly	Neighbourhood forum and area designated July 2017. Forum designation now expired.
Herne Hill Forum	Neighbourhood area designated December 2017. The area is partly in Lambeth and partly in Southwark. No forum designated.

Table 2 – Timetable for preparation of the Site Allocations Development Plan Document

Document title	Role and content	Geographical coverage	Regulation 18 consultation	Regulation 19 Pre-submission publication	Regulation 22 Submission	Adoption
Site Allocations Development Plan Document (SADPD)	Site allocations associated with the adopted Lambeth Local Plan 2021	Borough wide	Quarter 4 2021/22	Quarter 4 2023/24	Quarter 2 2024/25	Quarter 1 2025/26

Table 3 – Position with current Supplementary Planning Documents May 2024

Current Supplementary Planning Document	Date of adoption	Position at May 2024
Vauxhall Area SPD	January 2013	Remains relevant
Design Guide SPD	August 2023	Remains relevant
Lambeth Development Viability SPD	October 2017	Remains relevant
Lambeth Affordable Workspace SPD	April 2022	Remains relevant

Table 4 – Preparation of new Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs)

Title of document	Role and content	Geographical coverage	Consultation on draft SPD	Publication of revised draft SPD and consultation statement	Adoption
Local Views SPD	To provide guidance on assessing applications that affect local views in Lambeth.	Borough-wide	Quarter 4 2020/21	Quarter 4 2023/24	Quarter 3 2024/25
Waterloo SPD	To provide area specific planning guidance	Waterloo Station and its environs	Quarter 3/4 2024/25	Quarter 2 2025/26	Quarter 3 2025/26

Table 5 – Timetable for preparation of the Revised Lambeth Local Plan

Document title	Role and content	Geographical coverage	Initial scoping and preparatory work	Gateway 1	Gateway 2	Gateway 3	Examination	Adoption
Revised Lambeth Local Plan	Review of the Lambeth Local Plan 2021	Borough wide	Q3/Q4 2024/25	Q1/Q2 2025/26	Q1/Q2 2026/27	Q1/Q2 2027/28	Q3/Q4 2027/28	Q4 2027/28
Revised Lambeth Local Plan Policies Map	Policies Map associated with the Revised Lambeth Local Plan	Borough wide	Q3/Q4 2024/25	Q1/Q2 2025/26	Q1/Q2 2026/27	Q1/Q2 2027/28	Q3/Q4 2027/28	Q4 2027/28