

Plan 2040 – a new Local Plan for Sevenoaks District

Regulation 18 Part 2 - Comments Form

Consultation Period: 23rd November 2023 – 11th January 2024

Please use a separate form for each Policy or Site that you wish to comment on.

1. Please specify the **policy or site** to which your comments relate:

H3 - Housing in Rural Areas.

2. Do you have any comments on or suggested changes to the proposed policy/site?

The draft Plan says, “all parishes are undergoing a five year rolling programme of local housing needs surveys..... Where a survey shows evidence of need, we will work with the local community...” (2.13). Edenbridge Housing Needs Survey January 2022 had an 18% response rate (higher return than most), concluding an overall need of up to 46 affordable homes: 25 single people, 10 couples and 11 families.

The Town Council reiterates it’s response to the Reg 18-part 1 consultation:

Edenbridge already has a high level of housing association/affordable accommodation. Whilst Edenbridge does not support development in Green Belt, in a proven case/need consideration could be given to a small rural exception site.

However, it would expect the existing need to be met by the new development on Four Elms Road and therefore exceptional rural sites and the release of further Green Belt are not currently needed.

Edenbridge would expect existing and future needs to be met by the Four Elms Road development and other future development sites in the town.

Would you like to be added to our mailing list to be notified of updates to the Local Plan and future consultations?

No (Please delete as appropriate)

Please give your: **Name and Address, Email and Contact Number** and those of your Agent (if you have appointed one to act on your behalf). If you live in the District, please also note which Parish you live in.

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Comments that are submitted anonymously will not be accepted. Comments will be published and attributed by name/organisation only. Contact details will not be published but will be used to keep you informed of the progress of the Local Plan.

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Please return this form by email to planning.policy@sevenoaks.gov.uk or to:
Strategic Planning Team, Sevenoaks District Council, Argyle Road, Sevenoaks, TN13 1HG

All comments must be received by no later than **11:59pm on 11th January 2024**. Comments received after the deadline may not be accepted.

Comments that are considered to be libelous, racist, abusive or offensive will not be accepted.

