Notice of Scoping Consultation

The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2026

04 November 2026

Elmbridge Borough Council (EBC) hereby gives notice of its Scoping Consultation, in accordance with the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2026, Regulation 20 (1) (b).

Elmbridge Borough Council is preparing a new Local Plan. The Scoping Consultation is the first formal consultation stage in the preparation of the new Local Plan and is being carried out under Regulation 20 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2026.

The council is seeking your views on:

- what the new Elmbridge Local Plan should contain, and
- how the council should engage with you throughout the plan-making process.

The consultation opens on Wednesday 4 November and closes on Wednesday 9 December.

Representations on the Local Plan Scoping Consultation must be received by the council no later than **11:59pm on Wednesday 9 December 2026.**

The consultation can be accessed through our website: www.elmbridge.gov.uk/newlocalplan

Comments should be made by completing the online surveys on our consultation platform.

If you are unable to complete the online survey, a paper copy is available upon request by emailing: planningpolicy@elmbridge.gov.uk

If you wish to be kept informed to receive updates and information relevant to the Local Plan, please subscribe using our consultation platform.

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If you provide a response to the Scoping Consultation using the online survey, you can request to be notified of the following stages:

(i) consultation on proposed local plan content and evidence (Regulation 23);
(ii) the publication of observations or advice received at Gateway 2 and Gateway 3 (Regulation 26 and 31);
(iii) consultation on the proposed local plan (Regulation 27);
(iv) the submission of the proposed local plan to the Secretary of State for independent examination;
(v) independent examination of the proposed local plan (Regulation 35);
(vi) a decision of the examiner that the examination be paused for further work to be carried out;
(vii) the publication of the document and any evidence which is sent to the examiner;
(viii) the publication of the Examiner Report with recommendations and reasons;
(ix) the adoption of the Local Plan.

For further information, please contact the planning policy team on planningpolicy@elmbridge.gov.uk