

Statement of Representations Procedure and Availability of Documents

Trafford Local Plan 2022-2039 Publication Version (July 2026)

Regulation 19: Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended)

Document Title

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Subject Matter

Trafford Council is preparing a new Local Plan to replace the remaining saved policies of the Core Strategy (2012), the Revised Unitary Development Plan (2006) and Civic Quarter Area Action Plan (2023). The Trafford Local Plan 2022-2039 Publication Version (July 2026) has been published for representations before it is submitted to the Planning Inspectorate for examination.

What is a Local Plan?

The Local Plan is a key part of the Development Plan for the borough and, alongside Places for Everyone, will guide development in Trafford up to 2039, covering housing, the economy, community needs, infrastructure, the environment and a range of other subjects. It will set out where in the borough different types of development are acceptable and provide policies to enable the Council to determine planning applications on a day-to-day basis. The Local Plan is accompanied by a Policies Map which shows the allocations and designations in the Plan.

Representations are invited on the full Local Plan, following two previous consultations in 2025 on the Policies (April-June 2025) and Site Allocations and Designations (September-November 2025).

Availability of Documents

The Trafford Local Plan 2022-2039 Publication Version (July 2026) and supporting/background information is available to view on the Council website: www.trafford.gov.uk/reg19localplan

Additionally, documentation is available in accordance with the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 and the requirements of Trafford's Statement of Community Involvement (SCI).

Documents can be viewed at the following deposit locations: Trafford Town Hall, Sale Waterside and all Council libraries (<https://www.trafford.gov.uk/residents/leisure-and-lifestyle/libraries/libraries.aspx>).

How to make representations

A period of comment on the Trafford Local Plan 2022-2039 Publication Version (July 2026) and supporting documents is taking place from **6 August to 23:59 on 18 September 2026**, for a period of 6 weeks.

All representations must be made in writing. The easiest way to comment is online through the **Citizen Space** platform.

Representations at this stage should only relate to the Trafford Local Plan 2022-2039 Publication Version (July 2026) and its supporting/evidence base documents which have been published alongside it.

Comments made previously, during earlier consultations, have been summarised in Statement of Consultation reports, which will form part of the submission documentation.

Representations must focus on whether the plan is legally compliant and sound. A guidance note has been prepared to help you submit representations, which can be viewed on the Council website and at the deposit locations.

Please visit www.trafford.gov.uk/reg19localplan for details on how to respond online.

If you cannot use Citizen Space, a Word version of the representation form can be requested via the contact details below:

- Email: localplan.consultation@trafford.gov.uk
- Postal: Strategic Planning, Trafford Council, Trafford Town Hall, Talbot Road, Stretford, M32 0TH

Data protection

The Council cannot accept anonymous representations. Please note all comments will be held by the Council and will be available to view publicly. Comments cannot be treated as confidential.

Your personal information such as your postal and email address will not be published, but your name and organisation (if relevant) will. Your name and representation will also be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate as part of the examination process.

Your details will be held by the Council only for the purposes of the Local Plan and will not be shared with any third party. Once the Local Plan process has been completed, your details will be removed from our systems, although your name and representation will remain a matter of public record in perpetuity.

Notification of examination stages

By using the representation 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:

- Submission of the Local Plan for independent examination
- Publication of the Inspector's Report on the Examination of the Local Plan
- The Adoption of the Local Plan

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 the Local Plan.

Further information

Representations on the Trafford Local Plan 2022-2039 Publication Version (July 2026) and its supporting documents must be received by **23:59 on 18 September 2026**.

If you require further information about this consultation, please contact the Strategic Planning team via telephone on 0161 912 3149 or by email at localplan.consultation@trafford.gov.uk.