

Annex 4 Indicative local plan timetable

Indicative local plan timetable for a new local plan to be produced under the system introduced by the Levelling Up and Regeneration Act 2023, pending regulations and guidance

Local plan timetable to have effect from the date of its publication

Geographic Scope:

The new Reigate and Banstead Borough local plan will cover the whole of the administrative borough of Reigate and Banstead

Matters:

The new local plan will include a Vision, spatial strategy, strategic policies and design code policies for the whole borough, any detailed local development management or protection policies needed, and site allocations for the Borough.

A Policies map will also be prepared to accompany the new local plan, showing the site allocations, and designation within the Borough.

Date	Stage	Actions
September 2023	Pre-commencement	Continue preparing evidence to inform local plan, including procurement of external specialist support where needed. Present emerging evidence to internal Local Plan Action Group (LPAG). Apply to become Local Plan Pathfinder Authority Produce a working 'Project Programme' including Risk Assessment once Regulations and Guidance setting out detail on the operation of the new local plan system have been published
October 2024	Give "Notice of Start"	Start of "30 month" local plan making process Scope the local plan and the related sustainable environmental assessment (SEA) / Environmental Outcomes including early

		engagement with interested parties Continue preparing evidence
January 2025	Draft a Vision and Strategy consultation document	Draft consultation material and internal reports Continue preparing evidence
March 2025	Gateway 1 Check	To consider the Council's local plan Project Initiation Document (PID) To include proposed local plan scope and proposed methods of engagement and consultation
July 2025	Report to Council seeking authority to consult on draft Vision and Strategy	
August to September 2025	8-week consultation on draft Vision and Strategy	Formal consultation – To seek input and feedback on the vision, aims and objectives of the local plan
October to December 2025	Consider consultation responses	Responses and further evidence to inform drafting of local plan
January 2026	Gateway 2	To consider progress against the PID and engagement
June to September 2026	Report to Council seeking authority to consult on draft Vision and Strategy	Reports to internal Local Plan Action Group (LPAG) and Leaders for comments before Council meeting
October & November 2026	6-week consultation on draft local plan	Formal consultation – on draft LP
December 2026 to March 2027	Consider consultation responses	Reports to internal Local Plan Action Group (LPAG) and Leaders for comments before Council meeting to seek authorisation to submit
April 2027	Gateway 3	To consider procedural and legal requirements, actions against advice provided at Gateways 1 & 2, evidence
July 2027	to Council seeking authority to submit local plan	

August 2027	Submit local plan for independent examination	
August 2027 to February 2028	Examination	
March to June 2028	Finalise Local Plan	
July 2028	Report to Council seeking adoption of new local plan	