

**WINCHESTER CITY COUNCIL  
ADOPTION STATEMENT FOR  
WINCHESTER DISTRICT LOCAL PLAN 2040**

**Date of Adoption: 24 March 2026**

The Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended) The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended) The Localism Act 2011 (as amended)

In accordance with Regulation 17, 26 and 35 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended), notice is hereby given that Winchester City Council adopted the Winchester District Local Plan 2040 (the Local Plan) on 24 March 2026.

The Local Plan replaces the Winchester District Local Plan Part 1 – Joint Core Strategy (2013), Local Plan Part 2 -Development Management Policies and Site Allocations (2017) and the Gypsy and Travellers and Travelling Showpeople (2019) Development Plan Documents.

The development plan for Winchester District (outside of the South Downs National Park) now consists of the Winchester District Local Plan 2040, the Denmead Neighbourhood Plan (2015), the Twyford Parish Council Neighbourhood Plan (2022), and the Hampshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan (2013).

The Local Plan was the subject of an independent examination conducted by R. Barrett MRTPI IHBC, Planning Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State. In her report published on 9 March 2026 the Inspector confirmed, subject to a number of Main Modifications, that the Plan was sound and legally compliant.

Pursuant to Section 23 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended) the Adopted Winchester District Local Plan 2040 incorporates the Inspectors' Main Modifications as well as additional modifications made by the Council which (taken together) do not materially affect the policies of the Local Plan.

**Any person aggrieved by the Winchester District Local Plan 2040 may make an application to the High Court under Section 113 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended) on the grounds that:**

- **the Winchester District Local Plan 2040 is not within the appropriate power; and/or**

- a procedural requirement has not been complied with.

**Any such application must be made promptly and, in any event, before the end of the period of six weeks beginning with the day after the date of the adoption of the Plan (Wednesday 6 May).**

In accordance with Regulations 26 and 35 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended), this Adoption Statement, along with the following documents have been made available to view on the Council website <https://www.localplan.winchester.gov.uk/>

- The Winchester District Local Plan 2040
- Integrated Impact Assessment Report and the Habitats Regulations Assessment of the Main Modifications
- Integrated Impact Assessment and Habitats Regulations Assessment Adoption Statement
- The Local Plan Inspectors' Report

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