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Dear Mr Bishop

**Breckland Local Plan and Policies Maps - The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.
Notification of public consultation on Main Modifications to the Breckland Local Plan
18th February 2019 and 5pm 1st April 2019**

Please note you will be receiving a hard copy shortly.

The new Local Plan is currently subject to independent examination by the Planning Inspector Jonathan Manning BSc (Hons) MA MRTPI, who will determine whether the plan is sound and legally compliant. The Inspector has reviewed written representations and explored Matters and Issues through a series of public hearing sessions held last year. As a result, the Inspector has proposed amendments to the plan, known as Main Modifications. Main Modifications materially alter the Plan or its policies and can only be recommended by the Inspector to resolve problems that would otherwise make the submitted Plan unsound or not legally compliant.

The public hearings part of the examination into the soundness of the above development plan document was completed on 20th September 2018. Following this the Independent Examining Inspector, Mr Jonathan Manning, has requested that the proposed Main Modifications to the Local Plan be publicised so that interested parties can express their views on these changes. This consultation only relates to modifications to the plan and therefore comments will only be accepted if they relate to the proposed modifications to the Breckland Local Plan.

The Council have published a number of documents to support the consultation:

- (A) Breckland Local Plan Schedule of Main Modifications (Doc Ref: EX.123);
- (B) Breckland Local Plan Schedule of Minor Modifications (Doc Ref: EX.124);
- (C) Breckland Local Plan Examination Version (Doc Ref: EX.125);
- (D) Policies Maps subject to change (Doc Ref: EX.126 A-Z);
- (E) Breckland Local Plan Sustainability Appraisal Main Modifications Report (Doc Ref: EX.127 Appendices A - E);

(F) Breckland Local Plan Main Modifications Habitats Regulation Assessment (Doc Ref: EX.128);

An explanation of all the above documents as well as other frequently asked questions can be found on the Council's website

<https://www.breckland.gov.uk/localplanexaminationlibrary/MajorModificationsConsultation> – Guidance Note and Frequently Asked Questions (EX.122).

The documents referred to above may be viewed on the Council's web site breckland.gov.uk or at the Council's main office: Breckland Council, Elizabeth House, Walpole Loke, Dereham, Norfolk, NR19 1EE. Further information can be obtained by contacting the Programme Officer (email preferred: programme.officer@breckland.gov.uk or Tel: 01362 656296).

Representations should be submitted using the Council's online representation portal where possible, which can be found here: <https://www.breckland.gov.uk/consultations>.

If you don't have access to a computer, representations can be made using the consultation response form provided by the Council. Please contact the Programme Officer or visit the Council's main office in Dereham for paper forms.

Representations should be made between **18th February 2019** and by **5pm on 1st April 2019**. Representations received after this date will not be accepted.

Yours sincerely



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From: Breckland Council <mail@breckland.vuelio.co.uk>
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20 February 2019

Consultation gets underway on proposed changes to Breckland Council's Local Plan

A public consultation is now underway to gather people's views on proposed changes to Breckland Council's draft Local Plan. When adopted, the plan will act as a blueprint for the district's growth through until 2036.

The council's draft plan was assessed between April and September last year by an independent planning inspector who has suggested a number of amendments, known as Main Modifications. It is common for inspectors to recommend changes in order to ensure the final version of a local plan is sound.

The six week public consultation is focused on these proposed changes and feedback received will be taken into account by the planning inspector when preparing his final report later this year. Any comments previously submitted on the draft local plan will be taken into account and so do not need to be resent.

Anybody wishing to take part in the consultation can review either a list of proposed amendments or a version of the council's draft Local Plan with possible changes marked.

The documents can be seen on the Council's website (www.breckland.gov.uk) or at the council's office on Walpole Loke, in Dereham. Comments can be submitted via the council's website. Any questions about the consultation can be sent to programme.officer@breckland.gov.uk.

Responses to the consultation should be submitted before 5pm on 1 April 2019.

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Attachments

- Consultation gets underway on proposed changes to [Consultation gets underway on proposed changes to](#)

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