



GEDLING BOROUGH COUNCIL

GEDLING BOROUGH LOCAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME 2026 - 2029

May 2026

INTRODUCTION

- 1 Legislation set out in the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 requires the Council to prepare and maintain a Local Development Scheme (LDS). This document is the revised LDS for Gedling Borough Council which will replace the existing Gedling Borough LDS approved in 2025. The National Planning Policy Framework requires local planning authorities to review their local plans at least once every five years. This new LDS covers the period 2026/27 – 2029/210.
- 2 The Local Plan consists of: development plan documents and may include a core strategy, development management policies and other site specific development plan documents. Development proposals should be determined in accordance with the Local Plan unless there are material considerations that indicate otherwise.
- 3 Neighbourhood Plans introduced in 2011 also form part of the Local Plan for the area they cover once they have been subject to a positive result at a referendum. To date the following neighbourhood plans have become part of the Local Plan:
 - Calverton Neighbourhood Plan (Nov 2017);
 - Papplewick Neighbourhood Plan July 2018);
 - Burton Joyce Neighbourhood Plan (Nov 2018); and
 - Linby Neighbourhood Plan (May 2019).
- 4 As of May 202 the Local Plan comprises:
 - Aligned Core Strategy 2014 (Part 1 Local Plan)
 - Local Planning Document 2018 (Part 2 Local Plan)
 - Burton Joyce Neighbourhood Plan
 - Calverton Neighbourhood Plan
 - Linby Neighbourhood Plan
 - Papplewick Neighbourhood Plan
- 5 Documents which support the Local Plan include:
 - Local Development Scheme – the timetable for the preparation of local development plans;
 - Statement of Community Involvement– sets out the Council’s approach to engaging with local communities during plan preparation and when consulting on planning applications; and
 - Authority Monitoring Report – sets out the progress in terms of producing development plan documents and implementing policies.
- 6 The Local Plan will also include a Policies Map which illustrates the geographic extent of policies and proposals on a map base.
- 7 The individual documents making up the Local Plan are shown diagrammatically below:

Figure 1 Local Plan (note that following adoption of the Gedling Local Development Plan, this will replace the Aligned Core Strategy and the Local Planning Document).



The Review of the Part 1 Local Plan

- 8 Gedling Borough along with Broxtowe Borough and Nottingham City Councils adopted the Aligned Core Strategies in 2014. Erewash Borough and Rushcliffe Borough adopted separate but aligned Core Strategies in 2014.
- 9 Preparation of the Greater Nottingham Strategic Plan was underway with the aim being for Broxtowe Borough, Gedling Borough, Nottingham City and Rushcliffe Borough Councils to prepare aligned core strategies covering the period 2022 – 2041. In the summer of 2020 and early 2021 the Councils consulted on the Greater Nottingham Strategic Plan Growth Options document under Regulation 18 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations. The Greater Nottingham Strategic Plan: Preferred Approach was subject to consultation in early 2023 and a further specific consultation on the Distribution and Logistics Preferred Approach in autumn 2023. In November 2024 the Councils consulted on the Greater Nottingham Strategic Plan Public Draft document under Regulation 19 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations for a six week period closing on 16th December 2024. However, on 12th December 2024 the revised National Planning Policy Framework document which introduced a higher housing need was published. The Borough Council have consequently decided to prepare a single local plan for the Borough to meet this higher housing need. The subject matter to be contained in the Gedling Borough Local Development Plan is set out in **Appendix 1** below together with a timetable.
- 10 Once adopted the Gedling Borough Local Development Plan will replace the adopted Aligned Core Strategy 2014 which forms Part 1 of the Local Plan and also the Gedling Borough Local Planning Document which forms Part 2 of the Local Plan.

Statement of Consultation

- 11 Gedling Borough Council adopted its Statement of Community Involvement in October 2025 to coincide with the preparation of the Gedling Local Development Plan. The Borough Council is committed to engaging with the local community on planning issues and this document sets out how and when the community will be consulted in the preparation of planning policy documents and also on planning applications.

Supplementary Planning Documents

- 12 Supplementary Planning Documents may cover a range of issues, which may be either thematic (e.g. affordable housing or open space provision) or site specific (e.g. development briefs for allocations). It is not necessary for Supplementary Planning Documents to be covered in the LDS. However, these documents are subject to Member approval and will also be subject to consultation as set out in the Statement of Community Involvement.

The Proposals Map

- 13 As the Local Plan is adopted, the coverage of new policies and site-specific proposals will be included on a new composite Adopted Proposals Map.

Sustainability Appraisal and Strategic Environmental Assessment

- 14 The emerging Gedling Borough Local Development Plan is subject to an ongoing process of Sustainability Appraisal, which will incorporate the requirements for Strategic Environmental Assessment. This will inform the direction and content of each stage of the plan preparation process. The information used and the outcome of the appraisal process will be set out in an 'environmental report', which will accompany each development plan document. The timetable for this work will therefore run in parallel with each of the stages of plan preparation.

Equality Impact Assessment

- 15 Councils are also required by legislation to prepare an Equality Impact Assessment to make sure policies in the Local Plan do not discriminate against certain groups and that opportunities are taken to promote equality.

FURTHER INFORMATION

- 16 For further information on this Local Development Scheme please contact the Council at the address shown below. Information on adopted and emerging Local Development Plan is also available on the Council's website.

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APPENDIX 1

Title	<i>Gedling Borough Local Development Plan</i>
Role and content	The Gedling Borough Local Development Plan will contain strategic and non strategic planning policies covering the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Climate change and design • Spatial strategy • Housing strategy and target • Green Belt • Employment strategy and target • Town and local centres • Historic environment • Local services and culture • Transport strategy • Blue and green infrastructure and open space • Infrastructure and developer contributions • Strategic and non strategic site allocations
Status	Development Plan Document
Conformity with	Consistent with national planning policy
Geographic coverage	Gedling Borough.

Stage	Dates
Starting Evidence Base	January 2025
<i>Consultation on SA scoping report</i>	March 2025
Consultation on Regulation 18	July 2025
Consultation on Regulation 19	June 2026
<i>Publication of Submission Document</i>	Dec 2026
Independent Examination Hearings (if required).	Jan 2027
Receipt of Inspector's Report	Dec 2027
<i>Adoption</i>	Spring 2028
Post production (monitoring and review mechanisms)	Ongoing

Organisational Lead	Planning Policy Manager
Political Management	Executive and Full Council
Internal Resources	Planning Policy Section, with technical, legal and administrative support from other teams as needed (including Development Management)
External Resources	Legal advice if required, outsource hardcopy printing
Community and Stakeholder involvement	Informal and formal public consultation as set out in the Statement of Community Involvement.

THE PROPOSALS MAP AND INSET PLANS

Title	<i>The Proposals Map and Inset Plans</i>
Role and content	To map development plan policies
Status	Development Plan Document
Conformity with	The proposals map will conform to the adopted Local Plan.
Geographic coverage	Whole borough with detailed Inset Plan coverage of those parts of the borough affected by specific policies or proposals.

Timetable

Stage (Revised where necessary as each DPD adopted. Submission proposals map submitted with DPD to identify how the adopted proposals map will be amended or added to)	Dates
Gedling Borough Local Development Plan	Ongoing

Arrangements for production

Organisational Lead	Planning Policy Manager
Political Management	Executive and Full Council
Internal Resources	Planning Policy Section, with technical, legal and administrative support from other teams as needed.
External Resources	Legal advice if required.
Community and Stakeholder involvement	Previous involvement in site specific consultations.