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Wealden Draft Local Plan consultation dates released

An eight-week public consultation will start in March 2024 regarding the recently agreed Wealden Draft Local Plan.

The Draft Local Plan Regulation 18 document was agreed at a Full Council meeting and will be consulted on alongside its supporting Sustainability Appraisal.

The consultation dates are now confirmed, meaning the consultation period will run from 5pm, Friday 15 March to 5pm, Friday 10 May 2024.

Alongside the face-to-face exhibitions, Wealden District Council will launch a virtual exhibition accessed via the council's website so that residents who cannot or do not want to visit the face-to-face exhibitions can still partake in the consultation. Interested parties wishing to be notified when the consultation commences can register using the consultation portal at https://consult.wealden.gov.uk/kse

Councillor Ian Tysh, Alliance for Wealden (Green Party), and lead councillor for Planning and Environment, said, "It is important that everyone has their say on the Local Plan as it affects everyone living in Wealden. There is an online consultation which can be accessed by residents at the comfort of their own home, as well as face-to-face consultations which are spread across various venues in the district.

"I would like to encourage residents, businesses, and communities to give their views as this will help shape the final version of the Local Plan."

The locations of the face-to-face consultations are confirmed below.

Venue	Address	Date	Time
Hailsham Civic Centre	Vicarage Lane, Hailsham, East	Saturday 23rd	10.00AM -
	Sussex BN27 2AX	March 2024	16.00PM
Maresfield Village Hall	Bridge Road, Maresfield, East	Monday 25th	14.00PM -
	Sussex TN22 2HJ	March 2024	20.00PM
Polegate Community	43 Windsor Way, Polegate, East	Tuesday 26th	14.00PM -
Centre	Sussex BN26 6QF	March 2024	20.00PM
Uckfield Civic Centre	Council Offices, Uckfield, East	Saturday 13th	10.00AM -
	Sussex TN22 1AE	April 2024	16.00PM
Heathfield	Sheepsetting Lane, Heathfield,	Wednesday 17th	14.00PM -
Community Centre	East Sussex TN21 0XG	April 2024	20.00PM
Crowborough	Pine Grove, Crowborough, East	Saturday 20th	10.00AM -
Community Centre	Sussex TN6 1FE	April 2024	16.00PM
East Hoathly Village	Church Marks Lane, East	Monday 22nd	14.00PM -
Hall	Hoathly, East Sussex BN8 6EQ	April 2024	20.00PM
Frant Memorial Hall	The Green, Frant, East Sussex	Tuesday 23rd April	14.00PM -
	TN3 9ED	2024	20.00PM
Horam Village Hall	Horam, East Sussex TN21 0JE	Saturday 4th May	10.00AM -
		2024	16.00PM

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