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Council to consult on main modifications for its Local Plan 2023-2040

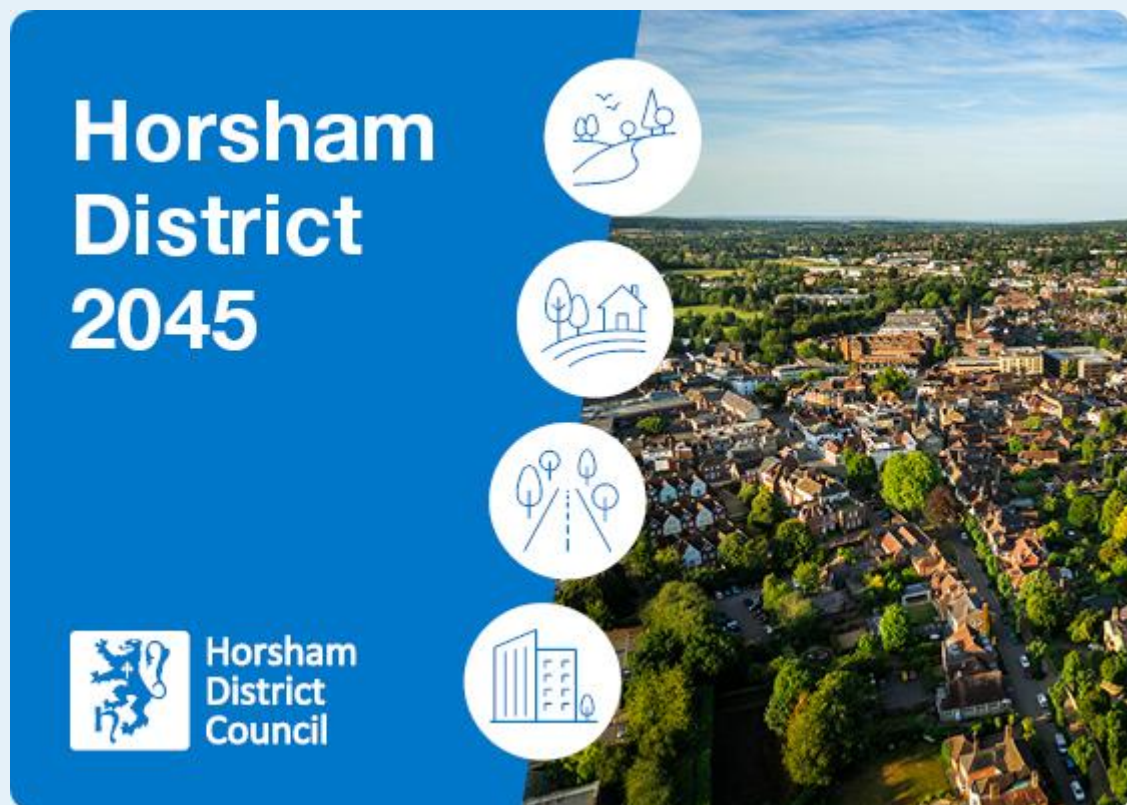


The next stage towards the adoption of a new Local Plan which will get Horsham District back to plan-led development will take place on 6 July when the Horsham District Council Cabinet will meet to recommend main modifications to the draft Horsham District 2023-2040 Local Plan.

Cabinet papers outlining the proposed modifications will be published tomorrow, 26 June, in advance of the Cabinet meeting. Approved recommendations will then go out to a public consultation that will start on 13 July and run for six weeks until 24 August.

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Have your say on new-style Local Plan this summer



Horsham District Council is formally starting work on a new-style Local Plan for the District in line with the government's new national plan-making requirements and would like to hear your feedback.

The new-style Local Plan will be called Horsham District 2045. The government introduced significant reforms to the national planning system which came into force in March 2026 with the aim of simplifying and speeding up future plan preparation.

This new planning system dictates that Horsham District Council - along with some 38 other local authorities in England - is required to start work on a new-style plan immediately.

It should be noted that the commencement of the preparation of the new-style Horsham District 2045 Local Plan will be happening at the same time as the Council's consultation on main modifications to its Horsham District 2023-2040 Local Plan that is still undergoing examination by the Planning Inspector.

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Council action leads to successful court conviction for unlawful woodland clearance

Horsham District Council has welcomed the successful conviction of a developer who unlawfully destroyed trees within a woodland habitat supporting protected species, on land adjacent to Cowfold Road in West Grinstead.

In March 2022, the Council's Planning Enforcement team was alerted to unauthorised tree felling at the site, which was at that time subject to a live planning application proposing a change of use to a holiday park.

Horsham District Council remains committed to protecting the District's natural environment and working in partnership with enforcement bodies to ensure that breaches of environmental legislation are addressed

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