

‘Call for Sites’ Notification

Shropshire Council is undertaking a ‘Call for Sites’ exercise from **Monday 23rd January 2017** to **Monday 20th March 2017**.

A ‘Call for Sites’ is a request to private; public; and voluntary sector bodies and individuals to submit **potential development sites** for consideration within the Strategic Land Availability Assessment (SLAA).

Sites can be submitted using the Shropshire Council Site Proforma, which must be accompanied by a plan indicating the location and boundary of the site. The Shropshire Council Site Proforma is available on the Shropshire Council website at: <http://shropshire.gov.uk/planning-policy/strategic-land-availability-assessment/>

What is the Strategic Land Availability Assessment (SLAA)?

The SLAA is a technical assessment of the capacity; suitability; availability; and achievability (including viability) of land for development. The SLAA incorporates the process formerly known as the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) but now seeks to include land for other uses in addition to housing.

The SLAA represents a key component of the evidence base which will support the partial review of the Shropshire Local Plan.

Please Note: Whilst the SLAA is an important technical document, it does not allocate land for development or include all locations where future housing growth might occur. The SLAA simply provides information which will be investigated further through the plan-making process.

What Type and Size of Site Should be Submitted?

The SLAA assessment primarily focuses on land for residential and employment development. However, where appropriate, it will also consider the merits of using sites for other uses and for mixed use developments. The SLAA assessment covers sites of over 0.2 hectares or those with sufficient capacity for 5 or more dwellings.

Any site which could be suitable for development and is over 0.2 hectares in size or has sufficient capacity for 5 or more dwellings can be submitted under the ‘Call for Sites’ exercise.

How Can Sites be Submitted?

Sites can be submitted using the Shropshire Council Site Proforma. This should be accompanied by a plan indicating the boundary of the site. The Shropshire Council Site Proforma is available on the Shropshire Council website at:

<http://shropshire.gov.uk/planning-policy/strategic-land-availability-assessment/>

Once completed, this Proforma can be submitted by emailing it to:

Planning.Policy@Shropshire.gov.uk

Alternatively, you can post it to the following address:

Shropshire Council, Planning Policy & Strategy Team, Shirehall, Shrewsbury, SY2 6ND

What is the Submission Deadline?

The formal 'Call for Sites' process will run for eight weeks alongside the Issues and Strategic Options Consultation on the partial review of the Shropshire Local Plan, from **Monday 23rd January 2017 to Monday 20th March 2017**.

However, Shropshire Council does accept the submission of sites for inclusion within its SLAA database at any time.

The 2017 SLAA

Shropshire Council is intending to commence a SLAA review in 2017, to inform the Partial Review of the Shropshire Local Plan. The base date for this assessment will be the 31st March 2017. The specific timescales for this review will be dependent on the number and complexity of site included within the assessment.

Please Note: Sites will only be incorporated into a formal SLAA assessment, if received prior to the base date of the review itself. Shropshire Council is intending to commence a SLAA review in 2017. The base date for this review will be the 31st March 2017.

The Partial Review of the Shropshire Local Plan:

Shropshire Council is also undertaking an Issues and Strategic Options Consultation from **Monday 23rd January 2017 to Monday 20th March 2017**.

The Issues and Strategic Options Consultation document; relevant supporting documents; and the e-survey form for you to provide your feedback on this document, are **available on the Shropshire Council website from Monday 23rd January 2017** at:

<http://new.shropshire.gov.uk/get-involved/local-plan-partial-review-issues-and-strategic-options-consultation/>