

Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council

Local Development Scheme

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Introduction

The Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, as amended, requires local planning authorities to prepare, maintain and publish a Local Development Scheme (LDS). The purpose of the LDS is to inform the public about the current planning policies for Tameside as well as to set out timescales for preparing new policy so that people are aware of the main opportunities to be involved in the plan making process.

The Council prepared its first LDS in 2007, and issued updates in 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2017 and 2020

This 2021 LDS, which supersedes the most recent version, sets out a work programme for the Council over the period 2021 – 2025.

Tameside's local planning framework

Current development plan

The following documents currently form Tameside's development plan:

- the saved policies from the Tameside Unitary Development Plan 2004 (saved from 18 September 2007);
- the Greater Manchester Joint Waste Development Plan Document (adopted April 2012);
- the Greater Manchester Joint Minerals Development Plan Document (adopted April 2013);
 and
- the Policies Map.

Saved Unitary Development Plan policies

Tameside Council adopted its Unitary Development Plan (UDP) on 17 November 2004. Under the provisions of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 and following approval from the Government Office for the North West on 18 September 2007, Tameside Council 'saved' the policies in the UDP, securing their continued use, until such time that they are replaced. Since then several saved UDP policies have been superseded, following adoption of the Greater Manchester Joint Waste Development Plan Document and the Greater Manchester Joint Minerals Development Plan Document. Details of the saved and replaced UDP policies can be found within the Authority's Monitoring Report.

Supplementary Planning Documents

Six Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs) currently provide further detail, interpretation and guidance to the policies within the Unitary Development Plan.

Other Planning Documents

Tameside's current planning framework also includes its Statement of Community Involvement, which sets out how the Council will involve people in preparing and revising planning documents and making decisions on planning applications. The scale and nature of the participation typically varies according to the stage and type of document being produced, or the application being considered, more detail to which is given within the Statement of Community Involvement itself.

Neighbourhood Plans

Tameside Council currently has no adopted neighbourhood plans as defined under the Localism Act 2011.

The Proposed Development Plan for Tameside

This section of the LDS sets out the timetable and intended content in the preparation of emerging planning policies. The main priority for the Council over the period of this LDS is the adoption of the jointly prepared Places for Everyone Plan and to commence review of and replace any remaining UDP policy content through a new Local Plan. The need for further planning policy may be identified in the future, which will be incorporated into reviews of this LDS.

Places for Everyone

Nine of Greater Manchester's authorities (Bolton, Bury, Manchester, Oldham, Rochdale, Salford, Tameside, Trafford and Wigan) are working on the production of a joint development plan document titled 'Places for Everyone' which will provide the overarching framework to strategically manage sustainable growth and development across the boroughs up to 2037.

Principally, Places for Everyone (formerly the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework) will identify the housing numbers and employment floorspace needs and associated infrastructure requirements, as well as identifying key allocations and broad opportunity areas where this growth should be focused, including allocating sites for employment and housing outside the urban area and defining a new Green Belt boundary across the nine boroughs. Further information on the preparation process for Places for Everyone can also be found on the GM Consultation hub page.

Local Plan

The Tameside Local Plan is intended to replace the remaining saved policies of the UDP that will not have already been replaced by other Development Plan Documents prepared and adopted. Review of the UDP had previously commenced, with the aim of replacing it with a Core Strategy and Development Management Policies, Development Plan Document by 2014/2015. This timetable and planning content was however superseded by the collaborative work being undertaken by all of the Greater Manchester authorities, initially in the form of the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework (GMSF), but now taken forward by nine GM boroughs through Places for Everyone.

It is the intention of the Council to prepare its plan in conformity with Places for Everyone, tracking its production but also allowing a significant enough gap to be able to incorporate its policy direction as this emerges and also reflect on the government's recently announced intention to bring forward a Planning Bill over the course of the next parliament.

The intention is that the Tameside Local Plan will at a local level set out a complementary vision, strategy and range of policies to Places for Everyone, to guide development in the borough. Setting out broad locations and specific allocations of land for different purposes and through designations it will show areas where particular considerations will apply, alongside overarching and criteria based polices, all to be taken into account in development management decision making. The intended form and content of the plan however is likely to need to be reviewed following the government's announcement to bring forward legislation and regulation expected to introduce a revised framework for preparing plans.

Policies Map

The purpose of the Policies Map is to spatially reflect development plan policies across Tameside in accordance with adopted Development Plan Documents. The current policies map (which was adopted at the time of the adoption of the UDP), was updated when the Greater Manchester joint waste and minerals Development Plan Documents were separately adopted and will be updated again on adoption of Places for Everyone.

Supplementary Planning Guidance and Documents

In addition to the Local Plan, local authorities can prepare Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs) to add further detail to and aid in the interpretation of existing policy. They can be used to provide further guidance for development on specific sites, or provide guidance on particular issues. New SPDs may be developed against 'saved' policies of the Tameside UDP or against new policies, once they are adopted, contained in either Places for Everyone or the Local Plan.

However, once existing policies are superseded, the SPD which relate to them will no longer be treated as material planning guidance, as the policy basis for them will have been removed. New SPD's will therefore need to be prepared to reflect the new policy framework within Places for Everyone and the Local Plan.

It is not currently the intention to develop new SPD at this time.

Schedule of Proposed Local Development Documents							
Document	Status	Coverage	Consultation	Publication	Submission	Examination 1	Adoption
Places for Everyone ²	Joint Development Plan Document	Bolton, Bury, Manchester, Oldham, Rochdale, Salford, Tameside, Trafford and Wigan	Consultation on first Draft GMSF October 2016 – January 2017 Consultation on Second Draft GMSF January – March 2019	Summer/Autumn 2021	Early 2022	Spring/Summ er 2022	Summer/A utumn 2023
Tameside Local Plan	Development Plan Document	Tameside	Regulation 18 Notification January – March 2017 Integrated Assessment Scoping Report Consultation April 2017 Issues and Options 1st Draft Plan Summer 2022 Preferred Options 2nd Draft Plan Summer 2023	Summer 2024	Autumn 2024	Winter 2024	Spring 2025
Policies Map	Development Plan Document	Tameside	The Policies Map will be developed in line with the timescales of other DPD. It will we amended and incorporate relevant polices as necessary upon adoption of DPD.				

¹ Dates following submission are provided indicatively, as the timetable beyond is largely determined by the Planning Inspectorate. ² Formerly the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework.