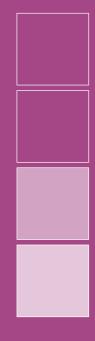
Harrogate Town Centre Strategy and Masterplan Consultation Report Appendix 5 Letters and Notifications



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Our ref: HTCSM Your ref: Date: 2 September 2015

Dear Sir or Madam,

DRAFT HARROGATE TOWN CENTRE STRATEGY AND MASTERPLAN

Residents, businesses and community groups have the opportunity to share their views on the future development of Harrogate town centre during a six week public consultation between **4 September and 16 October 2015**.

In light of the challenges facing town centres nationally, such as the growth of online shopping and out of centre retailing, Harrogate Borough Council appointed planning consultancy Peter Brett Associates and urban designers Environmental Associates, to prepare a Harrogate Town Centre Strategy and Masterplan.

The main objective of the strategy and masterplan is to provide an assessment of the strengths and weaknesses of the town centre and to develop a vision and design for the future, which will ensure Harrogate's continuing economic prosperity.

The Draft Harrogate Town Centre Strategy and Masterplan features:

- a summary of the findings of a comprehensive assessment of the current situation in the town centre
- a vision of what the town centre could be like in 2025 along with a number of strategic objectives that would be necessary to achieve that vision;
- a masterplan for the centre of the town and an outline of the projects and proposals relating to the plan
- policy recommendations for how to manage the town centre and
- a plan for implementing the changes proposed in the draft masterplan

Throughout the six-week process there will be a number of ways that you can find out more about the scheme and give us your views. From Friday 4 September through until 16 October the consultation document and supporting baseline report will be available on the council's website at: https://consult.harrogate.gov.uk/kse/

Officers from the council's Planning Policy team will be available to answer any questions at public exhibitions on:

- Thursday 10 September, 9am-4pm Harrogate Farmers Market, Cambridge Street Harrogate
- Saturday 26 September, 10am-3pm St Peter's Church, Cambridge Road, Harrogate

There will also be an unmanned public exhibition in the glazed foyer at St Peter's Church on Cambridge Road in Harrogate from Tuesday 22 September to Sunday 4 October. This will provide an opportunity for people to see the draft vision and objectives for the town centre, along with information on a number of the proposed projects.

Once the public consultation closes, the responses received will be carefully considered and the document amended to take account of the views received. The strategy and masterplan will then be adopted as a Supplementary Planning Document forming part of the development plan for the district and holding weight when making decisions on future planning applications in the town centre. It will also play a key role in delivering town centre improvements and attracting inward investment to the centre.

The public consultation will be available on the council's website from Friday 4 September at: <u>https://consult.harrogate.gov.uk/kse/</u>, where you can respond online.

Responses can also be sent to <u>planningpolicy@harrogate.gov.uk</u> or posted to Planning Policy, Planning and Development, Harrogate Borough Council, P.O. Box 787, Harrogate, HG1 9RW (please provide your name and postal address).

The closing date and time for responding to the consultation is **4.30pm on Friday 16** October 2015.

Yours faithfully

Tracey Rathmell Principal Planning Policy Manager E-mail: <u>planningpolicy@harrogate.gov.uk</u> Tel: 01423 500600

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Letter to Town Centre Businesses



Our ref: HTCSM/2015 Date: 11 September 2015

Dear Sir/Madam,

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Enclosed is a leaflet providing further information on the strategy and masterplan, highlighting some of the proposed masterplan projects and details on how you can get involved. The full Draft Harrogate Town Centre Strategy and Masterplan document and supporting information can be viewed at: <u>https://consult.harrogate.gov.uk/kse/</u>

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However you choose to respond, please make sure your comments are submitted to us **by 4.30pm on Friday 16 October 2015**.

Yours faithfully

Tracey Rathmell Principal Planning Policy Manager planningpolicy@harrogate.gov.uk 01423 500 600 Letter to Town Centre Residents



Working for you

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ONLY TWO WEEKS REMAINING TO SUBMIT COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT HARROGATE TOWN CENTRE STRATEGY AND MASTERPLAN CONSULTATION CLOSES FRIDAY 16 OCTOBER 2015

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Copies of the consultation document are available to view in all of the district's libraries, at the main council offices in Crescent Gardens, Harrogate, at Ripon Town Hall and Knaresborough House.

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