

Frequently asked questions

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New Local Plan - Phase 3 Towards a Preferred Strategy

Question 1. Where can I read the Local Plan Phase 3 towards a Preferred Strategy consultation document?

Answer 1. You can read the Local Plan Phase 3 Towards a Preferred Strategy document on [our website](#) and on the council's [consultation website](#).

Question 2. How can I comment on the Local Plan consultation?

Answer 2. You can feedback and comment on the Local Plan consultation in 3 ways:

1. by filing out the **online questionnaire** which is available on the [council's consultation website](#). You need to register and create an account before you can submit your comments.
2. You can also comment on the Local Plan by going to our **Interactive Maps**. These are available from the main document or consultation hub page ([here](#)), you can view our range of 11 interactive maps that relate to different topics in the Phase 3 document.

We recommend if you are interested in viewing and commenting on the key map for where new homes and jobs may be located, you comment on the [Emerging Preferred Strategy](#)

3. **Email us your comments** - We would really appreciate comments on the Phase 3 document and responses to the consultation questions to be made using the online questionnaire and/or via our interactive maps. However, if you would prefer to view the material and respond to these questions by emailing us – you can email comments to policy.consultation@southglos.gov.uk

If you do email us your comments, please make clear which parts of the document or question(s) you are commenting on. And include the site references, for potential allocations, employment safeguarding, renewable areas etc, for any single sites you

are making comments on too. Site references are shown in the document and appendices and on the online interactive maps.

Question 3. Why do I need to register on the council's consultation website to comment on the Local Plan consultation?

Answer 3. When you register on the council's consultation website and provide your [comments on the Local Plan consultation](#), it ensures that your comments are treated fairly and transparently. Your comments will be formally recorded, which means we can take them into account as we progress to the next stage of the Plan.

Question 4. How can I get a copy of the Local Plan consultation document as a PDF document?

Answer 4. A copy of the Local Plan consultation document as a [PDF document](#) is available on our website.

Question 5. How can I get a printed copy of the Local Plan consultation questionnaire?

Answer 5. For a printed copy of the Local Plan consultation questions, please email us policy.consultation@southglos.gov.uk or call us on 01454 868004

Question 6. Do I need to comment on all the questions in the Local Plan consultations?

Answer 6. The Local Plan consultation covers a range of topics including renewable energy, gypsy travellers, minerals, affordable homes, space standards and energy standards for new buildings. The consultation includes 30 potential policies, policy approaches and strategies for each of these topics.

The consultation questions address each topic, strategy and policy set out in the consultation. You may choose to respond to all of the questions or only comment on the areas that interest you.

Question 7. Do I have to answer all the questions in the consultation at once?

Answer 7. No, you don't have to answer all the consultation questions at once. You can save your responses and return to the questions at a later time. However, the deadline for comments is Friday 16 February so please remember to submit your responses by this date.