

Local Plan

Climate Emergency



WOKINGHAM
BOROUGH COUNCIL

Our updated local plan will guide where and how growth will take place in the borough in the years up to 2036. We know we have to plan for more housing, which is always a complex and controversial subject.

We also need to plan for new employment, schools, roads, parks, shops and community facilities necessary to create places people want to live, work and do business.

Local plans play a key role in ensuring new development is delivered in a way that responds to the challenges of climate change. The local plan update will introduce a range of measures to support the goals of the climate emergency action plan, including:

- Locating most development in places that reduce people's need to use their car for unnecessary journeys and provides opportunities for walking, cycling and public transport
- Ensuring new buildings are designed and constructed to reduce their environmental impact, including measures to avoid overheating in the summer and heat loss in the winter, and the use of rainwater harvesting systems to reduce water use
- Encouraging the installation and use of renewable energy generation within the borough
- Requiring electric vehicle charging points to be installed in all new developments

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