Consultations and Surveys (Local and National)

Last Updated: 16 May 2024

| Consultation | Description |
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| | NO ADVERTISED DEADLINE |
| Hospital Discharge – BSW Together | BSW Together, the NHS integrated care system for Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire is working towards improving how patients are discharged from hospitals. |
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| | Getting people back home from hospital, or to another setting such as a care home, safely and in a way that is planned with both the patient and their family and friend carers (if relevant) is a priority for our health and care services. They want to ensure that the voices of patients, carers and the public are at the heart of our work and influence the design and delivery of services. |
| | BSW Together, which includes the acute hospitals in Salisbury, Bath and Swindon, wants to hear from people and their families who have recently experienced being discharged from a hospital. |
| | They are looking for people to participate in an online survey, or in person or online focus group to discuss their experiences of hospital discharge and to help inform the development of resources that will help the discharge process. |
| | For more information and to register your interest please complete the survey. |
| | https://eu.surveymonkey.com/r/FVN7BYZ |
| | There is no advertised closing date. |
| Call for site proposals for development (HELAA) – B&NES | Assessing the land which may be available for future development in our area is an important part of strategic planning. We regularly update our assessment of the supply of suitable land for certain sorts of development (known as the Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment, or HELAA). |
| | In order to involve local individuals and organisations in this process, we are making a public request to identify sites and broad locations within Bath and North East Somerset which may be suitable for the following types of development: |
| | Providing housing Providing employment or similar economic development Providing new settlements |
| | We will assess all proposed sites for their suitability, and this work will form part of the evidence base to inform the Local Plan. |
| | https://beta.bathnes.gov.uk/call-site-proposals-development-helaa |

| LOCAL West of England Regional Strategy Refresh | The Combined Authority was set up in 2017 to make decisions and investments that benefit people living and working in Bath and North East Somerset, Bristol and South Gloucestershire. Their aim is to deliver economic growth for the region and address some of our challenges, such as productivity and skills, housing and transport. They are currently working on their new regional strategy and updated their economic evidence base. They would like input from people and organisations across the region to help them understand if there is other evidence which they should use to inform their strategy refresh. They would also like to hear from you if there are specific ideas you have for action that the region should take to build on our strengths and address our challenges. https://www.westofengland-ca.gov.uk/about-us/our-strategy/regional-strategy/ There is no advertised closing date. |
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| Call for Nature Sites – B&NES | We are making a public request to identify landowners and leaseholders within Bath and North East Somerset with an interest in managing their land more positively for nature. This will allow us to build a picture of land available for enhancement and restoration, supporting our wider work to develop a Local Nature Recovery Strategy. We will assess the information you submit to us and explore opportunities to contribute to nature's recovery. https://beta.bathnes.gov.uk/call-nature-sites |
| | MAY 2024 DEADLINES |
| LOCAL CIL funding applications consultation – B&NES | We are asking you to help us decide which shortlisted projects should receive funding from the Neighbourhood Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) for Bath. The CiL is a charge which is payable for some new building developments, to be spent on projects which benefit the community. Public consultation on which projects you think most deserve funding is a required part of our decision-making process when allocating CIL money. You have until 28 May 2024 to take part. https://beta.bathnes.gov.uk/cil-funding-applications-consultation |
| NATIONAL Ofsted's 'Big Listen' consultation | On 21 March, the Office for Standards in Education, Children's Services and Skills (Ofsted) extended its Big Listen consultation to hear directly from children, seeking their views on how Ofsted can improve. |

The consultation gives children (up to age 18) the chance to tell Ofsted what they think inspectors should look at when they visit their school or social care setting.

The children's consultation aligns with the main Big Listen consultation, which opened on 8 March for parents, carers and professionals working in education and social care.

Both consultations close on 31 May.

https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/ofsted-big-listen

NATIONAL

Adapting the UK's transport system to the impacts of climate change – Department for Transport

This consultation seeks views on the transport adaptation strategy, which includes actions and policies to enhance climate adaptation planning and action across the sector.

The transport adaptation strategy includes actions and policies to:

- enhance climate adaptation planning across the sector
- ensure these plans are achieved
- lead to improved climate resilience in the transport system

These policies will be developed over the next 5 years to enable progress ahead of the fourth National Adaptation Programme.

Government are seeking views on:

- the policies included in the strategy and whether you support them
- how effective you believe the policies will be at enhancing adaptation action taken by transport infrastructure organisations
- what more you think government could do to adapt to the impacts of climate change on transport infrastructure

This consultation closes on 31 May 2024.

https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/adapting-the-uks-transport-system-to-the-impacts-of-climate-change

JUNE 2024 DEADLINES

NATIONAL

Locally-led
Development
Corporation
consultation –
Department for
Levelling Up,
Housing &
Communities

Government are seeking views on draft regulations on how an oversight authority is to oversee a Locally-led Urban Development Corporation following designation by the Secretary of State.

In addition, they are also asking for comments on updating the New Towns Act 1981 (Local Authority Oversight) Regulations 2018 in relation to Locally-led New Town Development Corporations.

This consultation closes on 5 June 2024.

https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/locally-led-development-corporation-consultation

NATIONAL Government are seeking views on new standards for energy smart appliances and organisations which provide demand side response services or can remotely control electrical load. Delivering a smart and secure electricity system: Government state: "The Smart Secure Electricity Systems (SSES) implementation – Programme is designed to create the technical and regulatory Department for frameworks to enable the untapped flexibility from small scale devices, Energy Security & such as domestic electric vehicle charge points and heat pumps. It Net Zero should contribute to electricity system decarbonisation in a way that protects consumers and the electricity system." This consultation closes on 11 June 2024. https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/delivering-a-smart-andsecure-electricity-system-implementation NATIONAL Government are seeking views on religious designation reforms for new special academies and new and existing free schools. Faith school This consultation is seeking views on 2 policy proposals: designation reforms -Department for to remove the 50% cap on faith admissions, with the aim of enabling Education all faith groups to apply to open new faith free schools to allow new special academies and existing special academies with a recognised faith ethos to apply to be designated as having a religious character. This consultation closes on 20 June 2024. https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/faith-school-designationreforms **NATIONAL** The government seeks views on proposals to amend regulations relating to the Care Quality Commission (CQC). Changes to regulations relating The government is seeking views on removing the expiry date of the to the Care Quality Health and Social Care Act 2008 (Regulated Activities) Regulations 2014 and replacing it with a 5-yearly review. Commission -Department of Health & Social It is also seeking views on proposed amendments to the CQC Care regulations relating to: treatment (not first aid) in a sports ground or gymnasium temporary arrangements to deliver medical care (not first aid) at sporting or cultural events introducing a new requirement to notify CQC of the use of restraint, segregation and seclusion in mental health units This consultation closes on 21 June 2024. https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/changes-to-regulationsrelating-to-the-care-quality-commission NATIONAL This consultation is seeking views on proposed changes to the NHS Constitution.

NHS Constitution: 10 year review – Department of Health & Social Care

Government state: "The NHS Constitution sets out the principles, values, rights and pledges underpinning the NHS as a comprehensive health service, free at the point of use for all who need it.

"It empowers patients, staff and the public to know and exercise their rights in order to help drive improvements in quality, efficiency and responsiveness throughout the NHS. It brings together, in one place, existing rights as set out in various legislation. It does not, in itself, create new rights or replace existing ones.

"We are now seeking views on how best to change the NHS Constitution. This consultation is part of the process to complete the 10 year review, as legislated for in the Health Act 2009.

"The NHS Constitution applies to all those who use its many services, its staff and providers. During this consultation exercise, we want to hear from people across this broad spectrum, to help us define and enshrine the values of the NHS for years to come."

This consultation closes on 25 June 2024.

https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/nhs-constitution-10-year-review

JULY 2024 DEADLINES

NATIONAL

Modernising support for independent living: the health and disability green paper – Department for Work & Pensions This consultation seeks views on the approaches government should consider around modernising the welfare system for people with disabilities and health conditions.

Government state: "We want to ensure that we have a welfare system that is fit for the future, a system that supports work for people who can, provides a safety net for people who need it, and that is fair to the taxpayer. This consultation seeks views on whether we should make fundamental changes to how we support disabled people and people with health conditions, and whether our system delivers the right support to people most in need."

This consultation closes on 22 July 2024.

https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/modernising-support-for-independent-living-the-health-and-disability-green-paper

OCTOBER 2024 DEADLINES

LOCAL

New Sydney Place and Sydney Road through-traffic restriction trial: Public consultation – B&NES Have your say on the new through-traffic restriction trial on Sydney Road at its junction with New Sydney Place.

The trial is being installed from 2 to 15 April under an experimental traffic regulation order (ETRO) for a minimum of six months, during which time we will also monitor any traffic and air quality impacts.

We recommend that you respond to this consultation after it's been installed, and after you have experienced the trial for several weeks.

The consultation closes on 3 October 2024.

| | https://beta.bathnes.gov.uk/sydneyroadETRO |
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| LOCAL Somer Valley Enterprise Zone: Revised statutory consultation on modifications to Local Development Order (Planning Reference: 23/00076/LDO) – B&NES | We are asking for your views on our proposal for a Local Development Order (LDO), and supporting documents, for the Somer Valley Enterprise Zone (SVEZ), a commercial mixed-use development on the edge of Midsomer Norton. Use this page to support you to access the documentation we are submitting, and to understand the context, history and wider aims of the project. The process of applying for an LDO takes place via our local Planning |
| | Register, and you can comment on the proposal and associated documents, like any other planning application. The LDO is now on the B&NES Planning Register, with a reference number of 23/00076/LDO. |
| | The deadline is 20 October 2024 |
| | https://beta.bathnes.gov.uk/somer-valley-enterprise-zone-revised-statutory-consultation-modifications-local-development-order |
| B&NES Council Consultations | Visit our website for the latest consultations: |
| | https://beta.bathnes.gov.uk/current-consultations |
| | Do also visit our newsroom for the latest press releases as these often promote consultations: |
| | https://newsroom.bathnes.gov.uk/news |
| | B&NES Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) can be found here: |
| | https://www.bathnes.gov.uk/services/streets-and-highway-maintenance/roadworks/permanent-traffic-order-notices |