

NOTICE OF THE ADOPTION OF:
KNOWSLEY LOCAL PLAN CORE STRATEGY
DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENT

IN ACCORDANCE WITH:

- The Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (“the 2004 Act”)
- The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (Reg 26)
- The Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004 (Reg 16)

ADOPTION:

Notice is given that at a Council meeting on Wednesday 6 January 2016, Knowsley Metropolitan Borough Council resolved to adopt the Knowsley Local Plan Core Strategy.

The Knowsley Local Plan Core Strategy was considered by an Independent Inspector at an examination in public held between 5 November 2013 and 4 June 2015. The Inspector’s Report was published on 24 November 2015 which concluded that the Knowsley Local Plan Core Strategy is sound and legally compliant, subject to the Inspector’s recommended Main Modifications. The adopted Knowsley Local Plan Core Strategy incorporates the modifications recommended by the Inspector.

SUBJECT MATTER AND AREA COVERED:

Now that it is adopted, the Knowsley Local Plan Core Strategy forms the central part of the statutory development plan for the Metropolitan Borough of Knowsley. It partly replaces the Knowsley Replacement Unitary Development Plan 2006, and updates the adopted Local Plan Policies Map for Knowsley.

The Knowsley Local Plan Core Strategy outlines the spatial vision and development strategy for Knowsley up to 2028. The document sets the planning policies and identifies site specific allocations for development. It is accompanied by a Sustainability Appraisal Report which sets out the likely social, economic and environmental effects of the policies and proposals.

MODIFICATIONS:

The adopted Local Plan includes the Main Modifications, recommended by the Inspector who carried out the independent examination of the Plan, and the additional modifications and minor changes and edits proposed by the Council. The full list of modifications made to the Plan can be found in the ‘Schedule of Main Modifications’ published as an Appendix to the Inspector’s Report and the ‘Schedule of Additional Modifications’ and ‘Schedule of Minor Changes and Edits’ published by the Council. These modifications schedules can be found on the Council’s website at www.knowsley.gov.uk/localplan and copies are available to view at the Council’s One Stop Shops and libraries (locations set out below).

The three schedules of modifications constitute modifications made pursuant to sections 23(2) and 23(3) of the 2004 Act. The Knowsley Local Plan Core Strategy includes all of these modifications and has been adopted in accordance with section 23(3) of the 2004 Act.

CHALLENGE:

Any person who is aggrieved by the adoption of the Knowsley Local Plan Core Strategy may make an application to the High Court under Section 113 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 on the grounds that:

- the document is not within the appropriate power;
- a procedural requirement has not been complied with.

Any such application must be made promptly and in any event no later than six weeks from the date on which the Knowsley Local Plan Core Strategy was adopted, i.e. by Wednesday 17 February 2016.

STATEMENT OF DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY:

Electronic copies of the Knowsley Local Plan Core Strategy, this Adoption Statement, the Sustainability Appraisal Report, the Inspector's Report and the Modifications Schedules are available to view and download on the Council's website at <http://www.knowsley.gov.uk/localplan>.

These documents are also available to view between 9:00am and 5:00pm (excluding weekends and bank holidays) at the Council's offices at:

- Halewood One Stop Shop, The Halewood Centre, Roseheath Drive, Halewood, Knowsley, L26 9UH
- Huyton One Stop Shop, Municipal Buildings, Archway Road, Huyton, Knowsley, L36 9UX
- Kirkby One Stop Shop, The Kirkby Centre, Norwich Way, Kirkby, Knowsley, L32 8XY
- Prescot One Stop Shop, Prescot Shopping Centre, Aspinall Street, Prescot, Knowsley, L34 5GA

You may also view the Knowsley Local Plan Core Strategy at Huyton, Halewood, Kirkby, Prescot and Stockbridge Village libraries (during normal opening hours as stated on the Council's website at: www.knowsley.gov.uk/residents/libraries).

All documents can be provided in alternative formats and languages on request to Knowsley Metropolitan Borough Council on 0151 443 4031.

FURTHER INFORMATION:

Further information, or advice, can be obtained by contacting the Local Plan team on 0151 443 2326 or by emailing localplan@knowsley.gov.uk.