

# WORTHING DRAFT LOCAL PLAN OCTOBER 2018 - CONNECTIVITY

The connectivity section aims to improve connectivity and promote a more integrated and sustainable transport network as well as facilitate improved opportunities for active travel. The Plan also seeks to support the expansion of electronic communications networks.



## What You Told Us

**Local Plan should:**

### Transport

- Encourage sustainable modes of transport.
- Improve accessibility and public transport.
- Reduce impacts on the environment.
- Improve facilities and routes for pedestrians and cyclists – in particular, supporting the work of the Adur & Worthing Walking and Cycling Action Group.
- Ensure that new development does not exacerbate existing transport issues.
- Help to reduce congestion on key routes, particularly the A27 and the A259.
- Ensure that developments provide a suitable provision for parking.

### Digital Infrastructure

- Support the delivery of high quality communications networks (including digital and wireless connectivity) for both businesses and residents.
- Avoid the placement of cellular communication towers in close proximity to community facilities and residential areas.

## What The Evidence Says

### Transport and Connectivity

- Public transport services in the town are relatively good, particularly the rail and bus links along an east-west corridor.
- There are areas of heavy road congestion, especially at peak times. This is most prevalent along the A259 and the A27.
- An Air Quality Management Area (AQMA) is in operation on the A27 (Upper Brighton Road) where most of the air pollution is generated by traffic.
- The Worthing Transport Study concludes that the level of development planned for can be accommodated if a suitable package of mitigation measures is provided.

### Digital Infrastructure

- The Plan must support the expansion of communications networks, including next generation mobile technology and full fibre broadband connections.



## What The Local Plan Is Proposing To Do

### Transport

- Promote and support development that encourages travel by sustainable modes. Ensure development is located in sustainable locations.
- Require development to provide for an appropriate level of cycle and car parking.
- Support the expansion of public transport services, particularly interchanges.
- Promote better connectivity between the seafront and town centre.
- Enhance links between the town and the South Downs National Park.
- Promote the delivery of EV charging points.
- Ensure that major developments are supported by Transport Assessments and Travel Plans.

### Digital Infrastructure

- Support the expansion and improvement of digital infrastructure.
- Ensure that relevant proposals are the least environmentally harmful

There are a number of ways you can find out more about the Draft Local Plan.

You can visit the Council website or find hard copies of the documents at your local library. There is also an opportunity to come along to a 'drop in' session where you can find more information about the proposals and have a chance to ask questions.

Please visit our draft Local Plan page for more information about these dates and times for the consultation events: [www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/worthing-local-plan](http://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/worthing-local-plan)

You can also keep up to date by following the Council's Facebook and Twitter pages at:

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/AdurWorthingCouncils](http://www.facebook.com/AdurWorthingCouncils)

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## Find Out More

You can read the Transport (CP24) and Digital (CP25) policies within the Draft Local Plan on our website:

[www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/worthing-local-plan](http://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/worthing-local-plan)

## Have Your Say

Do you agree with the proposed approach?

Please give us your views by 5pm on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2018. You can find details of how to comment and also information about consultation events by visiting the Local Plan Page at:

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