



Portsmouth Local Plan

Regulation 22 Statement of Fact

Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended)

Portsmouth City Council hereby gives notice that the Portsmouth Local Plan was submitted for examination on 18 March 2026 to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government be considered for a public examination by an independent Planning Inspector. This Statement of Fact has been prepared in accordance with Regulation 22 (3) (a) (iv) of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended).

The Portsmouth Local Plan is the new statutory development plan for Portsmouth and it will guide development in the City up to 2040. The Portsmouth Local Plan is made up of the Pre-Submission Portsmouth Local Plan 2024 and the Pre-Submission Portsmouth Local Plan Addendum 2025. Where the Portsmouth Local Plan is referred to, this means these two documents combined.

The Local Plan is being submitted under the transitional arrangements set out in Annex 1 of the National Planning Policy Framework (2024) (NPPF). This states that those local plans that reach Regulation 19 (pre-submission stage) on or before 12 March 2025 and whose draft housing requirement meets less than 80% of local housing need should proceed to examination within a maximum of 18 months from 12 December 2024.

Availability of Local Plan Documents

The proposed Submission documents are available to view and download from our website at <http://www.portsmouth.gov.uk/localplan>
<https://www.portsmouth.gov.uk/services/development-and-planning/planning-policy/portsmouth-local-plan/>

Paper copies of the Submission documents (Portsmouth Local Plan, Policies Map, Sustainability Appraisal Report, Habitat Regulations Assessment and Consultation Statement) are available for inspection at the places and times detailed below:

- Portsmouth City Council, Civic Offices, Guildhall Square, Portsmouth PO1 2AU
- Central Library, Guildhall Walk, Portsmouth PO1 2DX
- Cosham Library, Spur Road, Cosham, Portsmouth PO6 3EB
- Carnegie Library, Fratton Road, Portsmouth PO1 5EZ
- Southsea Library, 19-21 Palmerston Rd, Southsea, Portsmouth, Southsea PO5 3QQ

Visiting information and opening times for all the libraries and be found on our website at <https://librariesandarchives.portsmouth.gov.uk/public-library-service/visiting-information-and-opening-times/>

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