

Update on Temporary Changes to Calderdale Statement of Community Involvement, with regards to the Calderdale Local Plan

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Paragraph 2.9 of the Calderdale Statement of Community Involvement sets out that the Council will make relevant Local Plan documents available for inspection at Customer First Offices and Libraries, and that copies of documents will be made available free of charge on request.

In response to the Coronavirus pandemic, The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) (Coronavirus) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 temporarily removed the requirement on the Council to make Local Plan documents available for public inspection at Council offices and Libraries. It also temporarily removed the requirement to make hard copies of documents available on request. The Regulations confirmed these changes would be in place until 31 December 2020.

However, in December 2020, the Chief Planner [wrote](#) to Local Planning Authorities to confirm that, due to the continuing uncertainty about the spread of Covid-19, these changes would be rolled forward for another 12 months, expiring on 31 December 2021.

In the Chief Planner's [letter](#) of November 2021, it was confirmed that the Government do not intend to further extend these plan making changes.

As the provisions made in the above regulations have now ended, this note confirms that any document(s) published for consultation will be available for public inspection at Customer First Offices and Libraries. Brighouse, Halifax and Todmorden Customer First Offices are within the Libraries. Hard copies of documents are also available on request.

All documents related to the Calderdale Local Plan Examination will continue to be placed online, in the Examination Library. Interested parties are encouraged to keep checking the Latest Examination News section of the website for updates.