



## **East Northamptonshire Council**

*Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004  
The Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004*

*Local Development Framework*

*Three Towns Plan*

*Notice of pre-submission public participation and statement of DPD matters*

In accordance with the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 East Northamptonshire Council is required to prepare a series of documents which will form the Local Development Framework (LDF) for the District. The Preferred Options is the first formal stage in preparation of the Three Towns Plan. As part of the LDF the Three Towns Plan focuses on detailed planning issues within the Plan area.

The Plan will set out the vision and detailed policies for the development, regeneration and planned growth of the smaller towns of Rushden, Higham Ferrers and Irthlingborough.

The Plan will also include the identification of sites for housing, employment, recreation and other land uses and will contain policies relating to specific areas where individual development, conservation or design criteria apply.

Preferred Options for the Three Towns Plan will be available at the beginning of September. A Sustainability Appraisal of the preferred options will be published at the same time.

The statutory 6 week consultation period for these documents will start on the 11<sup>th</sup> September 2006 and end on the 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2006.

Representations on these documents are invited, and must be received by 5.30pm on the 23<sup>rd</sup> October. Representations should be sent in writing to:

Planning Policy Team  
East Northamptonshire Council  
East Northamptonshire House  
Cedar Drive  
Thrapston  
Northants  
NN14 4LZ

Or by email to [planningpolicy@east-northamptonshire.gov.uk](mailto:planningpolicy@east-northamptonshire.gov.uk)

Representations may also be submitted electronically via the Council's website  
[www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk](http://www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk)

Copies of the Three Towns Preferred Options and the Sustainability Appraisal will be available for public inspection during normal opening hours at:

- **East Northamptonshire Council**, East Northamptonshire House, Cedar Drive, Thrapston, Northamptonshire, NN14 4LZ;
- **Oundle Tourist Information Centre**, West Street, Oundle, Northamptonshire, PE8 2EF;
- **The Rushden Centre**, Newton Road, Rushden, Northamptonshire, NN10 0PT.
- **Public libraries throughout East North Northamptonshire, including the mobile libraries;**

It will also be available online on the Councils website

[www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk](http://www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk).

Please indicate in your response if you would wish to be notified of either or both of the following:

- (i) that the Three Towns Plan has been submitted to the Secretary of State for independent examination;
- (ii) that the Three Towns Thrapston Plan has been adopted.

Any such notifications will be sent to the address on your representation unless you indicate otherwise.

Please note that the representations received during the consultation period cannot be treated as confidential. A summary of the comments and the East Northamptonshire Councils response will be made available in due course.

If you have any questions on the Three Towns Plan please contact the Planning Policy Team on 01832 742000 or via [planningpolicy@east-northamptonshire.gov.uk](mailto:planningpolicy@east-northamptonshire.gov.uk)

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