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Dear Consultee,

South Downs Local Plan Review is underway – you can get involved

We have begun work on reviewing the South Downs Local Plan to make sure it's up to date and addresses important issues including nature recovery, climate change and supporting local communities to thrive.

From **8 July to 16 September**, we are undertaking an early participation stage on the Local Plan Review by inviting feedback on the scope of the review and how people would like to be involved in preparing the new Local Plan.

There are three project documents we are inviting comments on at this stage:

- **Project Initiation Document (PID)** – this defines the scope and issues for the plan, the resources needed to deliver it and the risks associated with the project.
- **Local Development Scheme (LDS)** – this includes a timetable for the preparation and adoption of the Local Plan.
- **Statement of Community Involvement (SCI)** – this sets out how we will consult with all stakeholders, including local communities, business, and public bodies, on planning matters. We are proposing changes to the SCI on how we consult on draft plans, including key principles and introducing the preparation of bespoke 'Community Involvement Plans' for separate planning policy consultations.

These documents are available to view and comment on at: <https://sdnpalocalplanreview.commonplace.is/> Here you can also complete the **Local Plan Review survey**. This asks for feedback on the scope of the Local Plan Review and what important issues it should address. We are also seeking feedback on the National Park Vision 2050, which will be considered as part of the Partnership Management Review later this year.

There is also a "youth survey" for 13 to 25-year-olds, with the chance to enter a prize draw for a £50 gift voucher.

We anticipate that the formal (Regulation 18) consultation on the Local Plan Review will begin early next year.

The planning policy team will be attending events within and around the National Park throughout the summer. If you have an event or can distribute our Local Plan Review postcards or posters, do get in touch and we will send these to you. Please do share the [consultation hub and surveys](#) on your social media and via your networks.

We look forward to receiving your feedback,

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**SOUTH DOWNS
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LOCAL PLAN**

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- Answer a quick survey on the scope of the Local Plan Review
- Comment on draft project documents including the timetable and approach to consultation
- Bespoke survey for 13 – 25 year olds, with a chance to enter a prize draw for £50 gift voucher