



Local Plan and Housing Land Supply Update – February 2026

This is snapshot of the information on progress with Local Plans and housing land supply positions as of the beginning of February 2026 that we have gleaned from local planning authorities featured. For confirmation of any of the detail herewith, please contact us or the relevant local authority directly.

Local Planning Authority	Adopted Development Plan	Emerging Development Plan	Five Year Housing Land Supply Position		Housing Delivery Test (2023) ¹	20% buffer to 5YHLS from July 2026
			LPA Published	Appeal		
OXFORDSHIRE						
South Oxfordshire	South Oxfordshire Local Plan 2035 (adopted December 2020). Five year housing land supply now assessed against up to date local housing need (1,235). Several 'made' Neighbourhood Plans.	Inspectors had invited the withdrawal of the JLP from examination (October 2025). Following ministerial statement on DtC examination is anticipated to continue to Stage 2 later this year. Various emerging Neighbourhood Plans.	4.46 years (Dec 2025)	N/A	143%	TBC (subject to adoption of JLP)
Vale of White Horse	Vale of White Horse Local Plan 2031 Part 1 'Strategic Sites and Policies' (adopted December 2016). Vale of White Horse Local Plan 2031 Part 2 'Detailed Policies and Additional Sites' (adopted October 2019). Several 'made' Neighbourhood Plans.	As above – Joint Local Plan with South Oxfordshire. Various emerging Neighbourhood Plans.	5.51 years (Dec 2025)	N/A	177%	TBC (subject to adoption of JLP)

¹ Published in December 2024

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Oxford City	Oxford Local Plan 2036 (adopted June 2020). Several 'made' Action Plans. Several 'made' Neighbourhood Plans.	Oxford Local Plan 2025-2045 Regulation 19 currently out for consultation between January and March 2026.	2.88 years (Dec 2025)	N/A	1451%	No (higher LHN figure applied)
WILTSHIRE						
Swindon	Swindon Borough Local Plan 2026 (adopted March 2015). Swindon Central Area Action Plan (adopted February 2009). Several 'made' Neighbourhood Plans.	Swindon Local Plan Reg 19 consultation scheduled to take place Spring/Summer 2026. Various Neighbourhood Plans undergoing review.	4.9 years (July 2025)	N/A	97%	No (higher LHN figure applied)
Wiltshire	Wiltshire Core Strategy (adopted January 2015). Saved Policies of the Former District Local Plan (various). Chippenham Site Allocations Plan (adopted May 2017). Wiltshire Housing Site Allocations Plan (adopted February 2020). Several 'made' Neighbourhood Plans.	Emerging Local Plan was submitted for examination (Reg 22) in November 2024. Stage 1 hearings took place June 2025. Stage 2 hearings commenced November 2025. The Inspector's initial findings have identified concerns with the Plan. Wiltshire are seeking to agree further work required with the inspector. Adoption not scheduled until mid-2027. Various emerging Neighbourhood Plans and Reviews.	2.42 years (June 2025)	2.03 years (Nov 2025)	135%	TBC (subject to adoption of Local Plan)

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BERKSHIRE						
Reading	Reading Borough Local Plan 2036 (adopted November 2019).	Local Plan Partial Update was submitted for examination (Reg 22) in May 2025. Stage 2 hearings to take place in February 2026.	3.55 years (Jan 2026)	N/A	137%	TBC (subject to adoption of Local Plan)
West Berkshire	West Berkshire Local Plan Review 2023 to 2041 (adopted June 2025). A few 'Made' Neighbourhood Plans.	Local Plan Review recently adopted. Call for sites until 30 th March 2026. First stage of Council's expected review of the Local Plan. Several emerging Neighbourhood Plans.	5.7 years (June 2025)	N/A	146%	Yes
Wokingham	Wokingham Borough Core Strategy (adopted January 2010). Management Development Delivery DPD (adopted February 2014). Several 'made' Neighbourhood Plans.	Local Plan Update was submitted for examination (Reg 22) in February 2025. Stage 2 hearings intended to take place between March and June 2026.	2.5 years (July 2025)	1.7 years (Sep 2025)	169%	TBC (subject to adoption of Local Plan)
Slough	Core Strategy Development Plan Document 2006 – 2026 (adopted December 2008). Site Allocations DPD (adopted November 2010). Local Plan Saved Policies (adopted 2004).	Initial Local Plan timetable to be published June 2026.	2.51 years (Aug 2025)	N/A	58% (Presumption)	No (higher LHN figure applied)

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Bracknell Forest	Bracknell Forest Local Plan 2020 – 2037 (adopted March 2024). Site Allocations Local Plan (2013). Several ‘made’ Neighbourhood Plans.	-	4.49 years (June 2025)	N/A	137%	Yes
HAMPSHIRE						
Basingstoke and Deane	Local Plan 2011-2029 (adopted May 2016). Several ‘made’ Neighbourhood Plans.	A further BDBC Local Plan Reg 18 consultation concluded Jan 2026. Submission consultation (Reg 19) scheduled Summer 2026. Adoption scheduled Winter 2027.	3.2 years (Dec 2025)	N/A	131%	No (higher LHN figure applied)
East Hampshire	East Hampshire District Local Plan: Joint Core Strategy (Part 1) (adopted May 2014). Housing and Employment Allocations (Part 2) (adopted April 2016). Saved Policies from the Local Plan Second Review (adopted March 2006). Several ‘made’ Neighbourhood Plans.	Emerging Local Plan submission consultation (Reg 19) scheduled July 2026. Adoption scheduled August 2027.	2.9 years (Nov 2025)	N/A	88% (Action Plan)	No (higher LHN figure applied)

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Hart	<p>Hart Local Plan (Strategy and Sites) 2032 (adopted April 2020).</p> <p>Saved policies of the Hart Local Plan (Replacement) 1996-2006 (updated 2020).</p> <p>Several 'made' Neighbourhood Plans.</p>	<p>The new Local Plan will be prepared under then new plan-making system introduced through the Levelling Up and Regeneration Act 2023.</p> <p>The Council have run a Call for Sites which ended in January 2026.</p> <p>First consultation scheduled January to February 2027.</p> <p>Second consultation scheduled October to November 2027.</p> <p>Adoption scheduled October 2028.</p>	2.07 years (Apr 2025)	2.72 years (Sep 2025)	197%	No (higher LHN figure applied)
New Forest District Council	<p>Local Plan 2016-2036 Part 1: Planning Strategy (adopted July 2020).</p> <p>Local Plan Part 2: Sites and Development Management (adopted April 2014).</p> <p>Saved policies from New Forest District Local Plan 2005 and saved policies from Core Strategy 2009.</p> <p>Three 'made' Neighbourhood Plans: Hythe & Dibden, New Milton and Ringwood.</p>	<p>The Council will proceed with its Regulation 18 Consultation in February 2026.</p> <p>Regulation 19 is scheduled in the Autumn 2026.</p> <p>Adoption is scheduled in the Winter 2027.</p> <p>Various emerging Neighbourhood Plans.</p>	1.53 years (Aug 2025)	1.5 years (Dec 2025)	75% (Buffer)	No (higher LHN figure applied)

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New Forest National Park Authority	The New Forest National Park Local Plan 2016-2036 (adopted August 2019). Four 'made' Neighbourhood Plans: Hythe & Dibden, New Milton, Ringwood and Wellow.	Draft Local Plan Review consultation (Reg 18 Part 2) taking place between November and December 2025. Pre-submission (Reg 19) consultation scheduled between July and September 2026. Adoption scheduled December 2027. Various emerging Neighbourhood Plans.	6.6 years (Jan 2025)	N/A	N/A	No (higher LHN figure applied)
Test Valley	Test Valley Borough Revised Local Plan 2011-2029 (adopted Jan 2016). Several 'made' Neighbourhood Plans.	Revised Draft Local Plan consultation (Reg 18 Part 2) took place between June and September 2025. Pre-submission (Reg 19) consultation scheduled June 2026. Adoption scheduled December 2027. Various emerging Neighbourhood Plans.	2.76 years (Jan 2025)	2.74 years (Apr 2025)	144%	No (higher LHN figure applied)
Winchester	Local Plan Part 1 – Joint Core Strategy (adopted March 2013). Local Plan Part 2 – Development Management and Allocations (adopted April 2017). Two 'made' Neighbourhood Plans: Denmead and Twyford (South Downs lead authority).	Consultation on main modifications to Emerging Local Plan concluded in January 2026. Adoption expected Spring 2026. Wickham & Knowle, Hursley, New Alresford and Curdrige Neighbourhood Plans in preparation.	8.7 years (Dec 2024)	5.28 years (Dec 2025)	171%	TBC (subject to adoption of Local Plan)

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South Downs National Park Authority	South Downs Local Plan (adopted July 2019). Several 'made' Neighbourhood Plans.	Local Plan Review pre-submission (Reg 19) consultation scheduled May to July 2026. Adoption scheduled by end of 2027. Several emerging Neighbourhood Plans.	5.9 years (Apr 2025)	N/A	N/A	No (higher LHN figure applied)
Southampton	City Centre Action Plan (adopted March 2015). Core Strategy (amended 2015). Saved policies from Local Plan Review 2006. Bassett Neighbourhood Plan 'made' July 2016.	Southampton City Vision pre-submission (Reg 19) consultation scheduled December 2026. Adoption scheduled September 2027. No emerging Neighbourhood Plans.	5.9 years (Mar 2016)	4.19 years (Dec 2023)	50% (Presumption)	No (higher LHN figure applied)
Eastleigh	Eastleigh Borough Local Plan 2016-2036 (adopted April 2022).	Local Plan Review pre-submission (Reg 19) consultation scheduled November 2027. Adoption scheduled May 2029. Bishopstoke and Hamble Neighbourhood Plans in preparation. Botley Neighbourhood Plan was withdrawn from examination Dec 2025.	4.2 years (Jan 2026)	N/A	122%	Yes

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DORSET						
Dorset	<p>North Dorset Local Plan Part One (adopted January 2016).</p> <p>East Dorset and Christchurch Local Plan (adopted April 2014).</p> <p>Purbeck Local Plan 2018-2024 (adopted July 2024).</p> <p>West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland Local Plan (adopted October 2015).</p> <p>Swanage Local Plan (adopted June 2017).</p> <p>Several 'made' Neighbourhood Plans.</p>	<p>Dorset Local Plan pre-submission (Reg 19) consultation scheduled August 2026.</p> <p>Adoption scheduled by end of 2027.</p> <p>Several emerging Neighbourhood Plans.</p>	<p>2.53 years</p> <p>(Oct 2025)</p>	N/A	106%	<p>No (excluding Purbeck)</p> <p>(higher LHN figure applied)</p>