

Statement of Representations Procedure and Availability of Documents

Regulation 19: Town and Country Planning (Local Planning)
(England) Regulations 2012 (as amended)

Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council Local Plan 2022-2042

Document title

Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council Local Plan 2022 - 2042 Regulation 19 Pre-submission Publication Consultation Document.

Geographical area covered and content

Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council (the "Council") has published the Homes, Spaces, Places Publication Draft Local Plan. The Local Plan covers the whole of the borough of Tameside and sets out the vision for growth and change in the borough. The Plan includes the policies and framework for future development in the borough and guides decisions on housing, employment, infrastructure, community facilities, conserving and enhancing the historic environment, mitigating and adapting to climate change and achieving high-quality sustainable building and places.

Consultation period for submission of representations

Representations are invited from 1 October 2026 up to and including 13 November 2026. Any representations received after this period will not be considered.

How and where to view the Plan and supporting documents

The Plan and all supporting documents can be found on the Council's website at www.tameside.gov.uk/homesspacesplaces.

A physical copy of the Plan can be viewed at the Council's main office at Tameside One, Level 1, Market Place, Ashton-under-Lyne, OL6 6BH and all Tameside Council libraries as well as Ryecroft Hall Book Access Point during their normal opening

hours¹ throughout the consultation period. The opening hours are provided in the table at the end of this document. A physical copy of the Integrated Assessment can also be inspected at the Council's main office at Tameside One. Library computers are available to view the Plan and all supporting documents online.

Submitting representations

Representations should be in writing and specify the matters to which they relate and the grounds on which they are made. At this stage, comments should only focus on whether the Plan is legally compliant and sound:

- **Legal compliance** - does the plan meet the legal requirements made under various statutes.
- **Soundness** - has the plan been positively prepared, and is it justified, effective and consistent with national policy.

Representations can be submitted in the following ways:

- By the online form at www.tameside.gov.uk/homesspacesplaces
- By email to planpolicy@tameside.gov.uk
- By post to Planning Policy Team, Tameside One, PO Box 304, Ashton-under-Lyne, Tameside, OL6 0GA

Who can make representations

Any person, business, organisation or other interested party may make representations on the Regulation 19 Pre-submission Local Plan during the consultation period.

Treatment of comments

Representations cannot be made anonymously and representations received during the consultation period including relevant contact details will be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate and the appointed Planning Inspector for consideration as part of the examination process. Representations will be 'made available' in line with the Regulations (The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 – Regulations 20, 22 and 35). This includes publication of representations alongside the respondent's name on the Council's website. Personal information such

¹ <https://www.tameside.gov.uk/libraries/openingtimes>

as postal and email addresses, signatures and phone numbers will, in published material, be redacted.

Redacted comments may be summarised using an advanced large language model to support the council in analysing consultation responses. These summaries will then be reviewed by planning officers before being made available.

The Council will process your data and information in accordance with the UK General Data Protection Regulation (UK GDPR) and the Data Protection Act 2018. Respondents should be aware of the Council's privacy notice² in responding to the consultation. Your information will not be sold to other organisations or moved beyond the UK. Your information will not be used for automated decision making.

What happens next

Following the consultation the council will submit the Plan and supporting documents for examination together with the representations received and a summary of the main issues raised. Examination of the Plan is expected to take place in 2027. While the Inspector(s) will determine the most appropriate procedure to adopt to hear those who wish to participate in the examination, if respondents would like to appear and speak at the hearings, they should state this in their response.

Respondents may also request to be notified at a specified address of any of the following:

- the submission of the plan for independent examination under section 20 of the Town and Country Planning Act 2004,
- the publication of the recommendations of the person appointed to carry out an independent examination of the local plan under section 20 of the Planning and compulsory Purchase Act 2004, and
- the adoption of the Local Plan.

Updates on the next stages of the Local Plan will be published on the Council's website.

² <https://www.tameside.gov.uk/documents/d/guest/planning-policy-privacy-notice-final-pdf>

Location Opening Times

Location	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Ashton Library	Staffed: 08:30– 17:00	Staffed: 08:30– 20:00	Staffed: 08:30– 17:00	Staffed: 08:30– 20:00	Staffed: 08:30– 17:00	Staffed: 10:00– 15:00
Denton Library	Staffed: 13:00– 17:00 Open+: 09:00– 20:00*	Open+: 09:00– 20:00*	Open+: 09:00– 20:00*	Staffed: 09:00– 13:00 Open+: 09:00– 20:00*	Staffed: 09:00– 17:00 Open+: 09:00– 20:00*	Staffed: 10:00– 15:00
Droylsden Library	Staffed: 09:00– 13:00 Open+: 09:00– 20:00*	Open+: 09:00– 20:00*	Open+: 09:00– 20:00*	Staffed: 09:00– 13:00 Open+: 09:00– 20:00*	Staffed: 13:00– 17:00 Open+: 09:00– 17:00*	Staffed: 10:00– 15:00
Dukinfield Library	Staffed: 09:00– 13:00 Open+: 09:00– 20:00*	Staffed: 09:00– 13:00 Open+: 09:00– 20:00*	Open+: 09:00– 20:00*	Staffed: 09:00– 13:00 Open+: 09:00– 20:00*	Open+: 09:00– 20:00*	Staffed: 09:00– 13:00
Hattersley Library	Staffed: 13:00– 17:00 Open+: 09:00– 20:00*	Staffed: 13:00– 17:00 Open+: 09:00– 20:00*	Open+: 09:00– 20:00*	Staffed: 13:00– 17:00 Open+: 09:00– 20:00*	Open+: 09:00– 17:00*	Open+: 10:00– 15:00*
Hyde Library	Staffed: 09:00– 13:00 Open+: 09:00– 20:00*	Staffed: 09:00– 13:00 Open+: 09:00– 20:00*	Staffed: 13:00– 17:00 Open+: 09:00– 20:00*	Open+: 09:00– 20:00*	Staffed: 09:00– 13:00 Open+: 09:00– 17:00*	Staffed: 10:00– 15:00

Mossley Library	Staffed: 13:00– 17:00 Open+: 09:00– 20:00*	Open+: 09:00– 20:00*	Staffed: 09:00– 13:00 Open+: 09:00– 20:00*	Open+: 09:00– 20:00*	Staffed: 09:00– 13:00 Open+: 09:00– 17:00*	Open+: 10:00– 15:00*
Stalybridge Library	Staffed: 09:00– 13:00 Open+: 09:00– 19:00*	Staffed: 09:00– 13:00 Open+: 09:00– 19:00*	Staffed: 13:00– 17:00 Open+: 09:00– 19:00*	Open+: 09:00– 19:00*	Open+: 09:00– 16:00*	Staffed: 10:00– 15:00
Ryecroft Hall Book Access Point**	09:00– 17:00	09:00– 20:00	09:00– 17:00	09:00– 20:00	09:00– 20:00	09:00– 16:00

*Branch Libraries have Open+ installed to extend the library opening hours beyond the hours that staff are present. To use the library outside staffed times, call in at any library during staffed hours and ask about Open+.

**There is no public computer access at Ryecroft Hall Book Access point.