

Appendix D2 Letter sent to all consultees



Borough of Oadby & Wigston

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Date: 26th November 2008

Dear

**Oadby and Wigston Town Centre Masterplan Area Action Plans and Core Strategy
Further Consultation**

Oadby and Wigston Borough Council have prepared further consultation papers for the following documents:

- Oadby Town Centre Masterplan Area Action Plan
- Wigston Town Centre Masterplan Area Action Plan
- Core Strategy

Copies of the documents, draft sustainability reports, proposals matters and advert, can be downloaded from our website at www.oadby-wigston.gov.uk, are available by telephoning 0116 288 8961 or can be collected from the Council Offices.

Comments are invited during an eight week public consultation period beginning on Friday, 28th November 2008 and **ending at 4.30 pm on Friday, 23rd January 2008.**

You are strongly encouraged to comment by using our online representation forms at www.oadby-wigston.gov.uk, as this will allow us to handle your representations quickly and efficiently. Please note that all comments will be made public and published on our website.

Our staffed Roadshow Exhibition will be visiting Oadby and Wigston Town Centres on Friday, 5th December and Saturday, 6th December and an unstaffed exhibition will be touring the Borough during the consultation period. For details of times and locations, or for any other queries please do not hesitate to contact us on the above number or by email at forwardplans@oadby-wigston.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely,

Adrian Thorpe
Forward Plans Manager



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***Oadby and Wigston: Your
Town Centres, your views,
your Masterplans...***

Oadby and Wigston Borough Council are publishing new Masterplans for Oadby and Wigston Town Centres for further consultation from Friday 28th November 2008 until Friday 23rd January 2009.

These exciting and visionary plans will make the towns fit for the 21st Century by providing opportunities for more retail, office, residential, community and leisure development in Oadby and Wigston Town Centres. This opportunity to comment follows the “preferred options” stage of consultation on the Masterplans in November and December 2007. Representations made in response to this previous consultation have been taken into account and the Masterplans have been reviewed accordingly.

Commenting on the Masterplans Cllr John Boyce, Leader of Oadby and Wigston Borough Council said “The Borough Council has worked hard to take into account everyone’s views raised during the previous consultation. We have undertaken additional research into Faith Communities and Retail Capacity in the town centres and the outcomes of this have informed the revised Masterplans.”

There will be four roadshow events in Oadby and Wigston town centres where Council staff will be available to answer questions on the Town Centre Masterplans. The events are as follows:

Friday 5th December 2008:

Wigston, Bell Street – 10am until 12pm

Oadby, Corner of The Parade/Chestnut Avenue – 1pm until 3pm

Saturday 6th December 2008:

Oadby, Corner of The Parade/Chestnut Avenue – 10am until 12pm

Wigston, Bell Street – 1pm until 3pm

An unstaffed exhibition will also be touring the Borough and will be visiting the following locations:

Oadby and Wigston Borough Council Offices, Wigston

Friday 28th November 2008 to Monday 8th December 2008

Oadby Library, The Parade, Oadby

Wednesday 10th December 2008 to Monday 22nd December 2008

Brocks hill Country Park, Oadby

Wednesday 24th December 2008 Monday 5th January 2009

Wigston Library, Bull Head Street, Wigston

Wednesday 7th January 2009 to Thursday 15th January 2009

Bassett Community Centre, South Wigston

Friday 16th January 2009 to Friday 23rd January 2009

All consultation documents are available to view online on the Council's website at www.oadby-wigston.gov.uk. Documents are also available to view at the Council Offices, Oadby, Wigston and South Wigston libraries and at Helping Hands Centres.

Public Consultation is also taking place on the Council's Core Strategy, part of the Development Plan for the Borough. This set out a number of objectives that will direct the type and location of new development in the Borough up to 2026. The roadshows, exhibitions and consultation documents will also cover the Core Strategy.

The deadline for comments is 4.30pm on Friday 23rd January 2009.

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Notes to Editors

Oadby and Wigston Borough Council is working in partnership with consultants Taylor Young, BE Group, Faber Maunsell and White Young Green in the preparation of the Town Centre Masterplans.

Each document is accompanied by an Sustainability Appraisal Report . This assesses the likely effects that each document will have on the Borough's environment, economy and society.

Envision Logo



The Borough Council's Envision logo is used to promote public consultation events associated with the Local Development Framework.