

Tring & Berkhamsted Liberal Democrats invite you to...

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## Dacorum Local Plan Petition

*Dear Resident,*

...have your say on the Housing Plans Where You LIVE

The Liberal Democrats have been active locally in opposing the size and scope of the proposed Dacorum Local Plan. We have:

- Tabled motions at Dacorum Borough Council requesting that the consultation be postponed since it cannot be effective during covid restriction
- Carefully analysed the statistics behind the Local Plan in terms of the impact of housing targets and algorithms on individual council areas as compared to similar areas nationwide, in the south of England and bordering on London.
- Challenged the Minister to explain the methodology behind Dacorum's target and particularly on his choice of 2014 ONS housing estimates as his baseline, rather than the more recent 2018 estimates
- Challenged the Borough Council to explain the huge increases in planned houses in Berkhamsted (a 25% increase) and in Tring (a 55% increase).
- Written to local MPs, Rt Hon Sir Mike Penning MP and Gagan Mohindra MP asking for support.

### Read the Background Notes and Explanation Overleaf and

1. Write to Your MP at [gagan.mohindra.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:gagan.mohindra.mp@parliament.uk)
2. Sign the Petition either on <http://tring.lib.dm/P53J> or as Overleaf
3. Respond to the Consultation before 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2021



Councillor Sally Symington (left) and Councillor Nicky Woolner (Right)



Councillor Nigel Taylor (Left) and Councillor Garrick Stevens (Right)

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The Chief Constable has been informed.

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# The Liberal Democrats say, "Dacorum must

- *Halt the Local Plan Consultation*
- *Do the Sums Again*
- *Plan for the Local People, not for Downing Street"*

## Dacorum's Local Housing Plan is Flawed.

When the Government changed its policy,

***Dacorum should have changed its Strategy.***

But they didn't.

They just went for an inefficient Quick Fix to bolt onto the work they'd already done.

***But they took the easy way out with a thoughtless grab at Green Belt Land.***

The half-baked plan which they came up with is inefficient.

***They are planning for too many of the wrong houses in the wrong places.***

It wastes acres of farmland and beautiful countryside and damages the setting of the Chilterns Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

And it plans for too many houses where there are too few local jobs, making commuting worse.

Finally it will overwhelm Tring and Berkhamsted, put strain on our communities and overload local facilities.

***All to placate an uncaring government that does not listen to local people!***

1. Respond to the consultation before 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2021  
[www.dacorum.gov.uk/localplan](http://www.dacorum.gov.uk/localplan)
2. E-mail your MP, [gagan.mohindra.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:gagan.mohindra.mp@parliament.uk)
3. Sign our petition, fold the leaflet, use the FreePost Address

Can we use your email or phone to update you on Liberal Democrat campaigns and events?  
YES ( ) NO ( )

We will include your name, email, phone number and postcode when submitting and sharing the petition with Dacorum Borough Council.

Thank you for taking the time to sign this petition.

Return it for FREE by putting it in an envelope showing the FreePost address:-

Dacorum Plan Petition

### I call upon Dacorum Borough Council to:

- Halt the Local Plan Consultation
- Redraw the plan based on the recent housing densities achieved
- Demand that housing targets are based on up-to-date estimates

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