Have your say on the Caterham, Chaldon and Whyteleafe Neighbourhood Plan

The revised Caterham, Chaldon and Whyteleafe Neighbourhood Plan (CCWNP) has been published by Tandridge District Council, marking the start of a six-week consultation which runs from Friday 8th August until 11.59pm on Friday 10th October 2025.

The current CCWNP, passed at referendum in May 2021, has been updated by the Implementation Group (IG) which consists of members from Caterham Hill, Caterham Valley, Chaldon and Whyteleafe Parish and Village Councils. Under Neighbourhood Planning Regulations and following the Regulation 14 Consultation conducted by the IG, the Plan has been submitted to Tandridge who will conduct the Regulation 16 Consultation.

On completion of this consultation, it will be sent to an external, Independent Examiner to review. If approved, it will go to referendum next year and if passed, it will become part of the District Council's Development Plan.

The revised Plan shapes how the four Parish and Village Councils develop over the coming years and guides decisions on planning applications. The Plan encourages appropriate development with adequate infrastructure and provides a framework for sustainable growth, balancing new homes and businesses with the preservation of green spaces and heritage. It secures 25% of Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) funds, compared to just 15% without a Plan.

It sets out proposals to:

- Deliver housing to meet local needs.
- Ensure the local sewerage and wastewater network can cope before new development is approved.
- Reduce flood risk and make sure new development includes suitable drainage.
- Make the best use of allocated sites and brownfield land.
- Support businesses, retail centres and community facilities.
- Improve walking, cycling and bus travel options.
- Safeguard green spaces, key views and the Green Belt.
- Protect and enhance the area's character.

You can view the Plan at www.tandridge.gov.uk/CCWNP, at the Council Offices in Oxted, or at Caterham on the Hill and Caterham Valley libraries.

Your input is vital in shaping the future of what happens in Caterham, Chaldon and Whyteleafe. Please share your views by 11.59pm on Friday 10th October:

Complete the online form: www.tandridge.gov.uk/CCWNP.
Email comments to neighbourhoodplans@tandridge.gov.uk.
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