



**Lewes District Council**

To: Town and Parish Councils in Lewes

4 September 2024

Dear Colleague,

**National Planning Policy Framework Consultation**

On 30 July 2024, the District Council received a letter from the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, regarding the Government's consultation on a new National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF).

Enclosed for your information is an initial letter we have written to the Secretary of State in response. This includes setting out the local context for Lewes and calling on the Government to allow Lewes District Council to move ahead with its Local Plan process as scheduled, in order to protect against unplanned development.

We would be grateful if your Council would consider supporting Lewes District Council in this approach, either by writing in support of the attached letter, or by writing a similar letter setting out your concerns.

Lewes District Council will be responding formally to the proposed National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF). If you would like a copy of this response to be shared with you in advance of its submission, please let us know.

We look forward to hearing from you on this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Councillor Zoe Nicholson  
**Leader of Lewes District Council**

Councillor Laurence O'Connor  
**Cabinet Member for Planning and Infrastructure**