

Planning for the Future



planinfo is DPDS Consulting Group's database of Development Plan and Land Allocations updated through consistent monitoring of local planning authorities.

It provides instant access to reliable development plan status and timetable data including summaries and development plan allocations for every authority in the country, enabling you to anticipate forthcoming changes in policy and ensure that opportunities are not missed to make representations.

The planning system in the UK is currently undergoing a major overhaul by the present Government and wide-scale changes are to be anticipated in the near future. One thing, however, seems quite clear – the Government are committed to a plan led system. They may want to simplify the planning process and introduce a more transparent concept of localism with the inevitable greater involvement of local communities, but the Development Plan, whether it is a Core Strategy, a Local Plan or a Neighbourhood Plan, looks set to stay.

These documents will, therefore, continue to play a major part in shaping the future of the UK for years to come and to have a definitive impact on landowners, service providers and businesses.

Whilst many organisations do not dispute the need for information, many find it laborious trawling through Council websites in order to gain access to programmes for preparation, statutory consultation periods and further detailed information. In many cases, entire documents are not available as a single download file and even when they are identifying the information one really needs can be time consuming and tedious.

planinfo brings all this information into a single browser-based website package to provide all the key pieces of information, programmes, critical dates and policy summaries to your desktop.

DPDS Consulting Group was the first UK professional consultancy to recognise the importance of the plan-led system and launched their original development plan monitoring system in 1985. DPDS has been market leaders in this service ever since and can boast an impressive array of clients over the last 25 years, including many major development companies, utility companies, property owning companies and Government departments amongst their clients.

planinfo is a user-friendly website that provides you with all the information you need to know about the development plan making activities of the local planning authorities across the UK; England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.

The system utilises bespoke software developed over 25 years by our professional team and offers the following features:

- Full and detailed programmes for the preparation of all UK development plans and related statutory documents
- Constant updating to ensure up to the minute accuracy of information
- Added factual notes relating to key Committee dates and milestone events
- Contacts and telephone numbers for all key Local Authority staff engaged in plan making for each LPA
- Factual summaries of all published development plans, giving details of housing and employment allocations and key policies
- A full professional helpline provided by professionally qualified staff
- Bespoke packages relating to property portfolios available on request
- A powerful report generator to enable you to extract standard reports for specific areas and to set up your own report requirements to suit your specific purposes
- Access to an archive of historic development plans and their related programmes, should you have need of historic records. This archive includes document summaries going back to 2000

planinfo has been created to enable professional users quick and easy access to key information concerning development plan preparational dates and programmes and to provide factual summarised information that can be relied upon.

planinfo is available through a dedicated website, www.planinfo.co.uk and fully supported by our professionally qualified team. **planinfo** is available on-line only by subscription (see www.planinfo.co.uk for full terms and conditions) or telephone for a full information pack.

If you wish to enjoy a 7-day free trial or discuss your requirements in more detail, please telephone 01793 501605 where one of our dedicated staff will be pleased to help you.