

Redbridge Local Development Scheme:  
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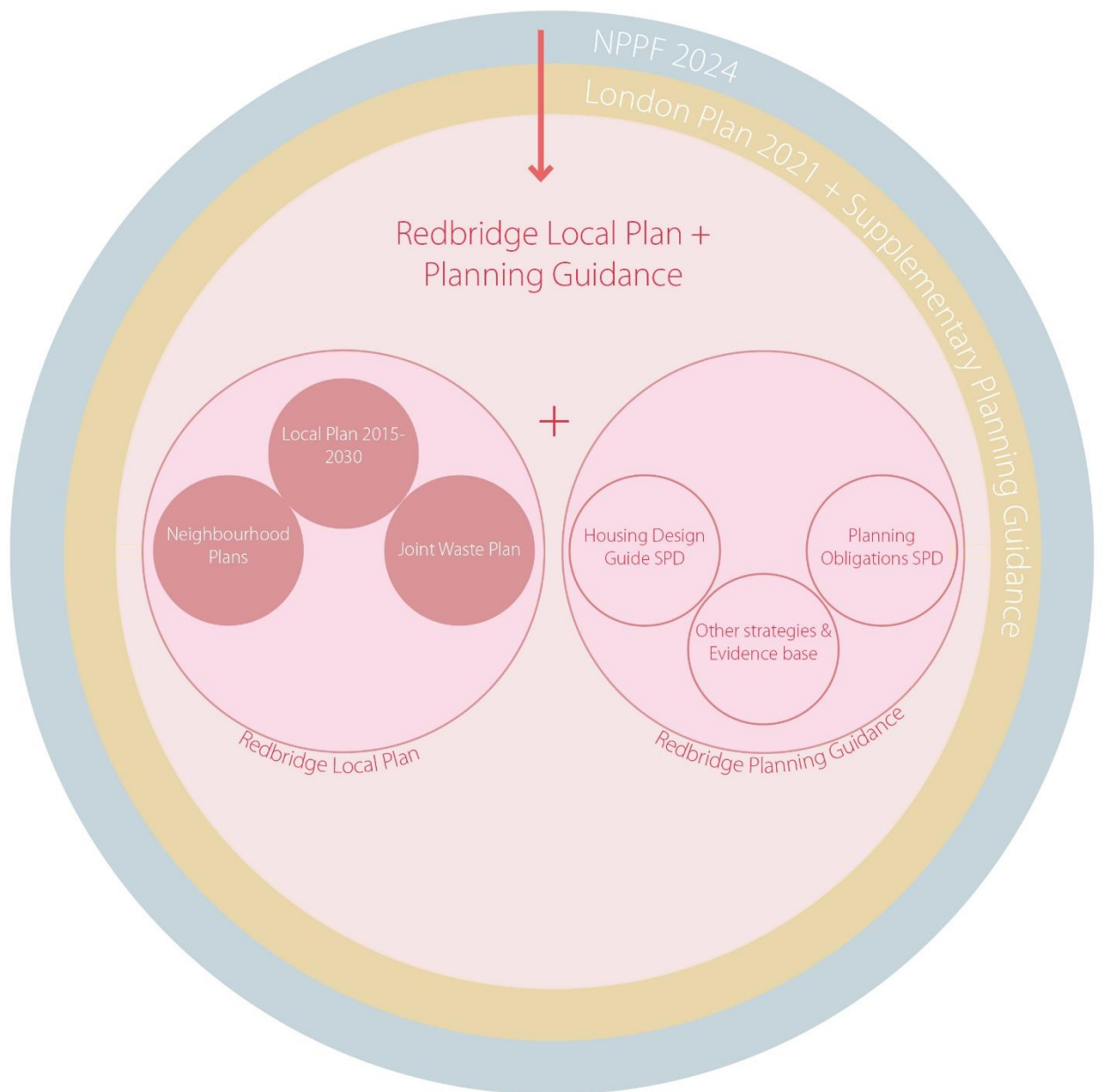
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# 1 Introduction

1.1 The London Borough of Redbridge has a statutory duty Under Section 15 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, as amended by the Localism Act 2011 and the Housing and Planning Act 2016 to prepare and maintain a Local Development Scheme (LDS) outlining the timetable to produce **all documents that comprise the area's Local Plan. Redbridge LDS (2025)** provides a formal work programme of the planning documents set to be produced. The LDS (2025) updates and replaces the previous version published by the Council in 2019.

## 2 Planning Policy Context



2.1 At a national level, government planning policy is set out primarily within the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) December 2024 (and subsequent updates), supported by the Planning Practice Guidance which is regularly updated. Within London, a regional tier of spatial planning policy, prepared by the Mayor of London, is contained within the London Plan. London

Planning Authorities are required to produce Local Plans which are in general conformity with regional policy tier.

2.2 The new London Plan was published in March 2021. The Development Plan for Redbridge currently consists of the London Plan 2021, together with the Redbridge Local Plan. The Local **Plan contains the Council's vision, policies and site allocations and designations across the borough** and currently comprises:

Redbridge Local Plan: (adopted 2018)

Local Plan Policies Map (adopted 2018);

Joint Waste Development Plan for the East London Waste Authority Boroughs (adopted 2012).

All Adopted prior to the publication of the LDS 2025

2.3 Through the Localism Act 2011, local communities have the power to prepare Neighbourhood Plans to help shape their local area, which once adopted form part of the development plan. The Council has a statutory duty to provide advice and support to those producing a plan.

2.4 Redbridge currently has one designated neighbourhood forum in South Woodford who are working towards preparing a Neighbourhood Plan.

### 3 Work Programme

3.1 Since the last LDS was published in 2020 the following documents have now been adopted:

- The updated Statement of Community Involvement. (SCI)
- The Wanstead Grove Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Proposals.
- The Aldersbrook and Lake House Estate Conservation Area Appraisal and Design Guide.

3.2 As part of maintaining an up to date and robust planning framework for Redbridge, the Council intends to produce the following planning documents:

Table 1- Outline of work programme

Document	Purpose	Project Scale	Risk and dependencies
Local Plan	Sets the overarching strategy of where growth and investment should be directed over the next 15 years and includes detailed policies for determining individual planning applications and site allocations.	Significant- comprising comprehensive evidence base update, interdepartmental and external collaborative work, extensive consultation and engagement, policy drafting, and an Independent Examination (including public hearings) by the Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State.	Emerging and evolving Government policy altering the national policy context with which will we need to be consistent with. National Development Management Policies. New London Plan.
East London Joint Waste Plan	Review of Joint Waste Development Plan (2012) for the East London Waste Authority (ELWA) Boroughs (Newham, Barking and Dagenham, Havering and Redbridge).	Medium – requiring joint working between the four constituent planning authorities.	Multiple stakeholder resource and co-operation.

*Supplementary Planning Documents and Guidance (SPDs and SPGs)*

3.3 No new or revised supplementary planning documents or guidance are anticipated. The **team’s resource will be focussed on the Local Plan review.**

Other Planning Documents

*Ilford Opportunity Planning Area Framework*

3.4 Evidence base work supporting the development of an Opportunity Area Planning Framework for Ilford is underway by the GLA, with input from the Council, and Transport for London.

3.5 This guidance will provide a strategic framework that plans for the future development of the Ilford Opportunity Area. This includes new homes, jobs, transport, infrastructure, and social and community uses.

3.6 The document is being developed as Supplementary Planning Guidance to the London Plan 2021 (London Plan Guidance). The Council will also consider whether to adopt the guidance, once completed.

3.7 Updates on the development of the evidence base and the Ilford Opportunity Planning Area Framework will be available on the [GLA’s OA webpage](#).

*Other planning documents that the Council prepares*

3.8 The purpose of the Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) is to set out the preferred options and legal requirements for involving the community and other stakeholders in the preparation of planning policies and the determination of planning applications.

3.9 The Localism Act 2011 requires local authorities to prepare and publish an Authority Monitoring Report (AMR) containing information on the implementation of the Local Development Scheme and the extent to which the policies set out in the Local Plan are being achieved.

## 4 Monitoring

4.1 The Council will publish an AMR for each year, and these are **available on the Council's** planning policy web pages.

## 5 Document Preparation Timeframe

### *Local Plan Review*

This is an indicative timeframe, because the plan-making provisions associated with the Levelling Up and Regeneration Act 2023 are yet to be confirmed.

2025/26				2026/27				2027/28				2028/29			
Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue				Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue				
					Orange	Orange	Orange	Orange	Orange	Orange	Orange	Orange	Orange	Yellow	Yellow
						Dark Blue	Purple	Dark Blue			Purple	Purple	Dark Blue		Green

### *East London Joint Waste Plan*

2024/25	2025/26				2026/27		
Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3
Blue	Blue	Purple	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Green
						Green	

#### Key

- Evidence base development
- Document drafting and Council governance
- Consultation
- Gateways
- Submission to the Planning Inspectorate and Examination
- Adoption

