

Dates of Interest

January to April 2014: Consultation Period

Consultation on Masterplan approach including preferred and potential sites for Service Family Accommodation:

- **19th February to 1st April 2014:** 6 week Public Consultation including exhibitions (staffed on dates shown) at:
 - Amesbury Library (24 Feb & 18 Mar)
 - Tidworth Library (25 Feb & 19 Mar)
 - Durrington Library (24 Feb & 19 Mar)
 - Salisbury Library (25 Feb & 18 Mar)
- Review of responses from all Stakeholders and Public Consultations & then finalise the Masterplan;
- Prepare Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) setting out consultation process, comments raised and our responses; and
- **April 2014:** Issuing to Wiltshire Council of Draft Context Report and SCI for review.

May to June 2014: Consultation

Preparation of Salisbury Plain Masterplan:

- **May 2014:** Final versions of Context Report; Outline Environmental Appraisal; Salisbury Plain Masterplan; and draft version of SCI issued to Wiltshire Council May;
- **June 2014:** 4 week final Consultation Period; and
- Issuing of Final Statement of Community Involvement submitted to Wiltshire Council.

The Next Steps

Comments during the process can be emailed to DIO-ArmyBasing@mod.uk or posted to:

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Responses from the consultation will be used to shape the development of the Masterplan and be part of the information presented to Wiltshire Council as part of its development.

It is anticipated that by May 2014 the Masterplan will be drafted and will provide clear guidance for the strategic development of the area.

Wiltshire Council will review with the Masterplan and the processes DIO have carried out, to ensure that the Masterplan can be endorsed by the Council, as the Planning Authority, as a material consideration in the determination of future planning applications.

There will be a publication of the Masterplan documentation alongside the Planning Authority Committee report (in line with Wiltshire Council's committee process).

Planning applications for the developments will need to be submitted in order to meet the time-lines of the moves dictated by the March 2013 announcement and will be subject to normal planning approval.

Masterplan

Background

The Secretary of State for Defence announced in March 2013 the Regular Army Basing Programme (ABP). This sets out the future permanent arrangements for the Army as units move back to the UK from Germany and restructures to deliver its future operating model, via the Army 2020 strategic programme.

This includes a concentration of moves in the Salisbury Plain area. The Defence Infrastructure Organisation (DIO) has been liaising closely with Wiltshire Council since mid 2012 on preparing and planning for these moves.



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A Masterplan is being prepared to set out the context for these moves and the associated planning applications that will be required to be submitted over the next few years.

Some of the moves can be undertaken without significant changes to existing camps by using existing facilities. A number of early moves have already taken place throughout 2013. More significant moves as announced by the Secretary of Defence in March '13 will begin in 2014 with the final moves planned within 2019.

More information can be obtained from:

www.gov.uk/government/consultations/salisbury-plain-training-area-master-plan-army-basing-programme.



Canadian Estate, Bulford

Scope of the Proposals

As part of the relocation of units around 4,000 extra service personnel will be relocated to the Salisbury Plain Training Area between now and 2020.

To support this move significant investment will be undertaken to provide new and refurbished facilities to support the units, service personnel and their families.

New construction and refurbishment work will be undertaken mostly "behind the wire" on existing MOD sites. This will include single living accommodation, catering and technical facilities.

Outside these camps approximately 1,200 new houses, constructed by MOD, are needed to accommodate service families. The aim is to provide integrated and sustainable communities for both military and civilian families in line with local strategic planning guidance.

Many of the changes will be centred around existing camps. These being predominantly: Tidworth, Bulford, Perham Down, Larkhill and Upavon. Other MOD sites across the Plain are less likely to see significant changes.

The pattern of Army training may also alter within the Salisbury Plain Training Area, although the level of activity is not expected to exceed levels previously experienced on the Plain.

Town Planning Strategy

Many of the proposed changes will require planning permission. The purpose of the Masterplan is to provide the context for the future planning applications.

The Masterplan will be supported by a range of other studies which will inform on the constraints, opportunities and benefits the location of Army personnel on the Plain will offer. These include:

- Environmental Impact Assessment
- Housing Study
- Transportation Study

The development of each site will be looked at specifically in terms of complying with the requirements and considerations laid out in the Local Development Framework maintained by Wiltshire Council.

Consultation

Stakeholder and Public Consultation is being carried out as an integral part of the master planning process.

These consultations and engagements will include Statutory Bodies and organisations with a close affinity to the Plain. It will include public events where information will be made available to the public and their comments and views sought.

Please turn over for more information on the Dates of Interest and Next Steps.