

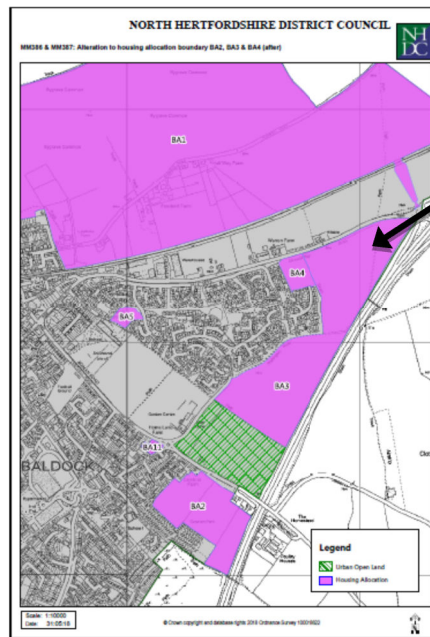
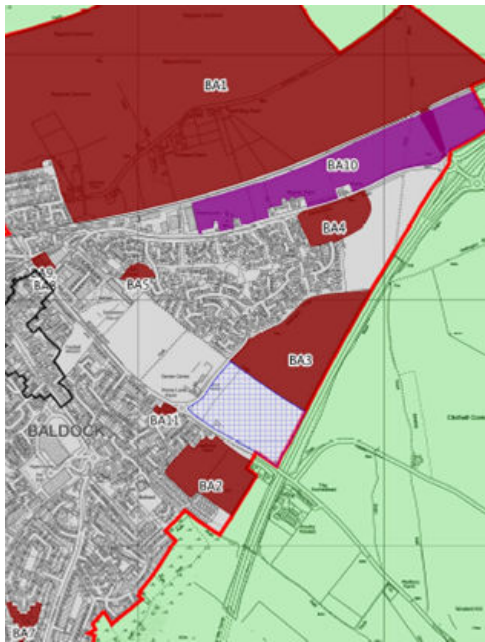


*Dear Resident*

*We would like to draw your attention to a public consultation taking place at the moment.*

*A government Inspector is inviting comments on changes to the District Council's new Local Plan.*

*In particular, we would like to make you aware that the open land to the north of Clothall Common is being included within one of the housing sites (called 'BA3'). This change does not increase the total number of houses being allocated to Baldock, but we are concerned that it could mean an unnecessary loss of some of this open space, and allow development on unsuitable land. The maps show the original proposals and the change now being consulted on.*



*The Neighbourhood Planning group are preparing a neighbourhood plan for Baldock with help from the community, to try to improve whatever development does take place. It cannot challenge the number of houses being allocated to Baldock as a whole, but is a way of adding additional safeguards so that the new development is as sustainable as possible. This will include protecting this area of open space.*

*Documents are in Baldock library, and online at:*

[www.north-herts.gov.uk/localplan](http://www.north-herts.gov.uk/localplan)

*For ideas about how to respond, please have a look at our website*

[www.bbplan.co.uk](http://www.bbplan.co.uk)

*The consultation now runs until Thurs April 11th.*