

# Public comment period regarding the proposed local area development plan for a **new school area in Gottsunda**



## A new school area is being planned in Gottsunda in order to keep pace with the population growth resulting from the major expansion of southern Uppsala that will continue to 2050

The numbers speak for themselves. By 2050, southern Uppsala is expected to have a population of 100,000, which represents an increase equal to the entire current population of Umeå. During the same period, 33,000 new residential units and 20,000 new workplaces will be added. In Gottsunda, alone, 5,000 to 7,000 new residential units will be built. As Gottsunda is being developed, its population will also be increasing. More families will be moving in, and new babies will be born. All this creates a need for additional educational facilities to serve this area in the future.

How this should be done is the subject of the proposed local area development plan for the school area in Gottsunda. By building new, permanent facilities for Gottsunda School (Years 6-9) and examining the possibilities of increasing the existing Treklängen School (preschool year to Year 5), the municipality intends to create possibilities of developing and improving these well-functioning entities in two stages.

The new school area will be able to accommodate about 1,400 students. Expansion plans include two new, full-sized sport facilities.

The Planning and Building Committee of Uppsala has now decided on a public comment period so that members of the public will be able to submit comments and suggestions and express their views regarding the proposed local area development plan, which is based on a preliminary study issued by Skolfastigheter AB, an Uppsala municipal company.

### What is this all about?

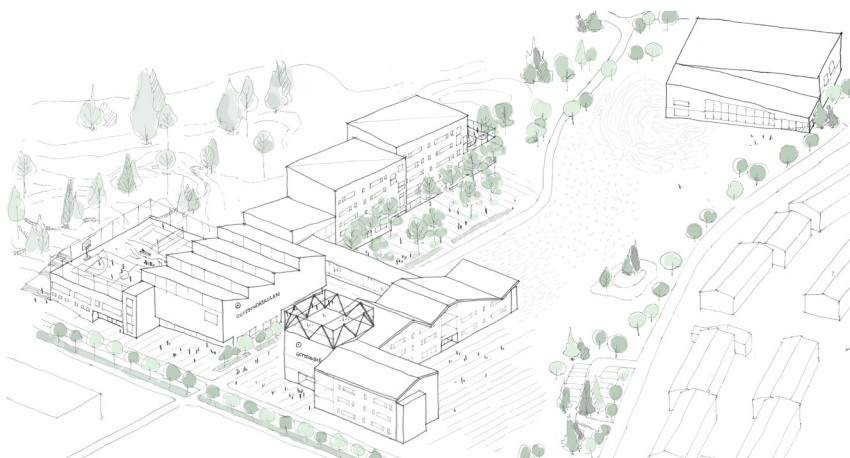
In April 2019, the Municipal Executive Committee of Uppsala approved a planning programme for the Gottsunda area, which identified the area that is the subject of this plan as a new school area. The proposed local area development plan will enable the construction of two new primary and/or lower secondary schools, together with two full-sized sport facilities, south of the Gottsunda commercial centre.

This means that the existing boule and ball sports facility will be demolished. Boule-related activities have been offered new facilities in a different part of Uppsala.

Ball sports will be able to continue to expand in the two new full-sized sport facilities that are being planned. In addition, the proposed local area development plan relates to more secure school yards, shared use of educational premises after school hours, giving the public an opportunity to walk around in the development area, and the ways in which the plan should contribute to the rest of urban development in Gottsunda.

## Plan map and plan description

During the public comment period, which runs from 4 November to 16 December, individuals and other stakeholders may submit comments and suggestions about the plan map and plan description. The plan map and plan description, as well as other documents that are related to this matter can be found at [uppsala.se/gottsunda](https://uppsala.se/gottsunda).



*Axonometry of the fully-built proposal according the preliminary study by Skolfastigheter AB, viewed from the northwest. Stage 1, to the left in the sketch, Stage 2 and the freestanding sport facility, to the right in the sketch.*

## Make your voice heard

The local area development planning process is a democratic process that is based on openness and the right to express one's opinion. Individuals, government agencies, organization and other entities to which the plan is referred can submit their views during the public comment period.

The public comment period with regard to the local area development plan for the new school area in Gottsunda will take place between 4 November and 16 December 2019. During this period, members of the public will have an opportunity to submit their opinions and comments digitally via a form at  [uppsala.se/gottsunda](https://www.uppsala.se/gottsunda).

All parties concerned area also welcome to attend a community meeting that will take place on 20 November between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. at Kulturpunkten in the Gottsunda Commercial Centre (Gottsunda centrum).

