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North Dorset Local Plan – 2011 to 2026 Part 1

Pre-submission Focused Changes Consultation

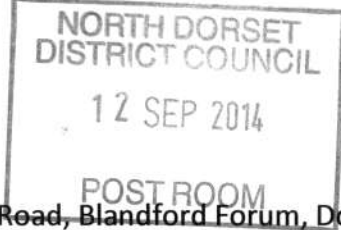
1 August to 12 September 2014

Regulation 19 of Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012

Response Form

For each representation you wish to make a separate response form will need to be completed.

This is a formal consultation on the legal compliance and soundness of the Local Plan as amended by focused changes, before it is submitted to the Secretary of State for examination by an Inspector. For advice on how to respond to the consultation and fill in this form please see the 'Guidance Notes for Making Representations' that can be found on the Council's website at www.dorsetforyou.com/focusedchangesconsultation/north



Please return completed forms to:

Email: planningpolicy@north-dorset.gov.uk

Post: Planning Policy, North Dorset District Council, Nordon, Salisbury Road, Blandford Forum, Dorset DT11 7LL

Alternatively you can submit your comments online at: www.surveymonkey.com/s/NorthDorsetLocalPlanFocusedChangesConsultation

Deadline: 11:59 pm on 12 September 2014. Representations received after this time may not be accepted.

Part A – Personal details

This part of the form must be completed by all people making representations as **anonymous comments cannot be accepted**. Representations cannot be treated in confidence as Regulation 22 of the Town and County Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 requires copies of all representations to be made publically available. By submitting this response form you consent to your information being disclosed to third parties for this purpose, but signatures, private telephone numbers and e-mail addresses or private addresses will not be visible on our web site, although they will be shown on paper copies that will be sent to the Inspector and available for inspection.

*If an agent is appointed, please complete only the Title, Name and Organisation boxes to the personal details but complete the full contact details of the agent. All correspondence will be sent to the agent.

Personal Details (if applicable)*	Agent's Details (if applicable)*
Title	MR
First Name	PHILIP
Last Name	POWELL
Job Title (where relevant)	
Organisation (where relevant)	SYMONS + STUBBINS
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Postcode	
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Part B – Representation

The Focused Changes to the North Dorset Local Plan 2011 to 2026 Part 1 and its supporting documents have been published in order for representations to be made prior to submission to the Secretary of State for examination. The purpose of the examination is to consider whether the Local Plan as amended by focused changes, complies with the **legal requirements** and is **'sound'**.

If you are seeking to make a representation on the **way** in which the focused changes have been prepared it is likely that your comments or objections will relate to a matter of **legal compliance**.

If you are seeking to make representations on the **content** of the focused changes it is likely that your comments or objections relate to the **soundness** of the plan and whether it is justified, effective or consistent with national policy.

Further information on the matter of legal compliance and the issue of soundness can be found in the 'Guidance Notes for Making Representations'.

If you need help completing the response form please see a member of the Planning Policy Team at the consultation exhibition in Blandford Forum on 14 August 2014 or call 01258 484201.

1. Please select which document you are commenting on:

- North Dorset Local Plan 2011 to 2026 Part 1: Pre- Submission Focused Changes
(please complete Questions 2 to 9)
- Supplement to the Sustainability Appraisal Report (please complete Questions 2 and 10)

2. Please state to which pre-submission focused change you are commenting on:

Change Reference:	Section reference:
CON/6/1 CON/6/3 CON/6/4 CON/6/8	5

3. Do you consider the Local Plan as amended by focused changes, to be legally compliant and prepared in accordance with the Duty to Cooperate, legal and procedural requirements?

- Yes No

4. Do you consider the Local Plan as amended by focused changes, to be 'sound'?

- Yes No

5. If you consider the Local Plan as amended by focused changes, to be unsound please specify your reason(s) by ticking the box(es) that apply below

- It has not been positively prepared
- It is not justified
- It is not effective
- It is not consistent with national policy

6. Please give specific details of why you consider the Local Plan as amended by focused changes, has not been prepared in accordance with the Duty to Co-operate, legal or procedural requirement or why you consider the plan to be unsound. Alternatively, if you wish to support any aspects of the plan please also use this box to set out your comments.

We consider that the local Plan as amended by the focused changes to be unsound because the local planning authority has not provided an effective plan which is consistent with national policy. In particular, we do not consider that due regard has been given to the requirement for housing during the plan period and providing a consistent supply of housing through the plan period. The housing numbers proposed for the plan as a whole have been under assessed so that the plan does not provide sufficient housing for the plan period. There is not sufficient flexibility within the plan to allow the housing numbers to be increased and the housing numbers are too constrained and are not sound because insufficient housing will be delivered as part of this proposed policy.

In addition, the plan is not consistent with planning policy because it does not make an adequate provision for housing numbers to be released during the plan period and therefore the plan should not be declared sound and additional housing needs to be identified in order for the plan to be sound.

Continue on a separate sheet if necessary

7. What change(s) do you consider are necessary to ensure that the Local Plan is legally compliant and sound? It would be helpful if you are able to put forward your suggested revised wording of any policy or text. Please be as precise as possible.

If the plan is to be legally compliant and sound then additional housing will need to be identified and provided during the plan period and in order to achieve this we believe that additional housing provision will need to be provided or additional policies will need to be introduced to the plan to enable the housing numbers to be changed in order to ensure that there is an ongoing supply of housing to adequately provide for housing throughout the plan period. To that extent the plan needs amending to ensure that there is proper provision for housing land to comply with national policy for delivery of housing throughout the plan period.

Continue on a separate sheet if necessary

8. If your representation is seeking a change to the Local Plan as amended by the focused changes, do you consider it necessary to participate in the oral part of the examination?

- No, I do not wish to participate in the oral examination
- Yes, I would like to participate in the oral examination

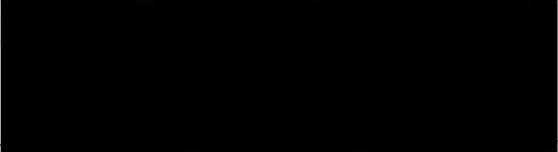
9. If you wish to participate in the oral part of the examination please outline why you consider that to be necessary. Please note that the Inspector determines who is heard at the examination.

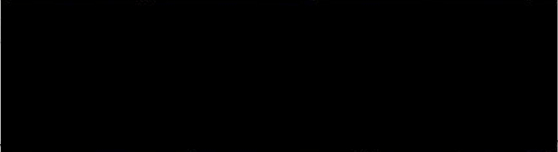
It is essential that the landowner is able to participate in the oral examination in order that full details of the case for, firstly the increase in the housing numbers and secondly the sustainability of the location proposed by the Objector can be properly considered. The arguments to be put forward on behalf of the Objector are significant and complex and the only way in which the Objector's case can be truly examined in by participation in the oral examination.

10. Please outline your comments on the Supplement to the Sustainability Appraisal or Addendum to the Habitats Regulations Assessment. Comments are not confined to 'soundness' issues, but respondents can express their opinions on the above documents and use it as a reference point on the 'soundness' of the Local Plan.

We have no further comments to make in regard to this matter at the present time but reserve our position to raise matters as part of the oral examination.

11. Do you wish to be notified of any of the following? Please tick all that apply. We will contact you using the details you have given above.

- That the Local Plan Part 1, as amended by the Focused Changes, has been submitted for independent examination
- The publication of the recommendations of any person appointed to carry out an independent examination of the Local Plan Part 1
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Signature: 

Date: 11/9/14

If submitting the form electronically, no signature is required.