



Representation Form

Consultation on Schedule of Main Modifications Part 1, August 2024

Closing date for submitting representations: 11:59pm, Wednesday, 2nd
October 2024

Part A

Section 1: Contact information

	Respondent details	Agent details (where applicable)
Title:	Ms	
First Name:	Susan	
Last Name:	Smith	
Organisation (where relevant):		
Address:	[REDACTED]	
Postcode:		
Telephone:		
Email:		

Part B

Please fill in a separate form for each site and/ or policy

Section 2: Representations

Which Main Modification are you responding on?

Main Modification (MM) ref	Local Plan Paragraph ref	Local Plan Policy ref (if applicable)	Policy title (as applicable)
MM115 And MM116	Schedule Of MM Pages 86,87,89	West Winch Policy E2.1	West Winch Growth Area

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To which test of soundness does your representation relate?

The Local Plan 2021-2040 is currently under examination by Planning Inspectors, appointed by the Secretary of State). The Inspectors will assess the proposed Main Modifications against the soundness tests. Please indicate whether you consider the proposed Main Modification about which you are responding is:

[Please tick appropriate box]	YES	NO
Legally compliant?		X
Complies with the Duty to cooperate?		
Positively prepared (i.e. seeks to meet the area's objectively assessed needs)?		X
Justified (an appropriate strategy, taking into account the reasonable alternatives, and based on proportionate evidence)?		X
Effective (i.e. deliverable over the plan period)?		X
Consistent with national policy (National Planning Policy Framework: National Planning Policy Framework (publishing.service.gov.uk))?		X

Summary of Comments:

Please give details of why you consider the proposed Main Modification that you are commenting on is sound ("Yes") or unsound ("No"), with reference to the tests above. Please be as precise as possible.

Object to Main Modification 115, page 86, policy E2.1

Strongly object to the proposal to build 2,030 homes before 2040 & up to 4,000 new homes in total in West Winch. Without the bypass in place FIRST this would be an environmental nightmare and completely unsustainable. The traffic on the A10 road at present is horrendous as it is the main route both for business traffic, local farm tractors, the port lorries and the main road for all traffic from the north towards London (& vice versa). The by-pass for West Winch is essential to remove the polluting HGV's from the A10 prior to any housing being built. The construction traffic alone will add hugely to the traffic on an already over-loaded road. For properties along the A10 Main Road their residents (who already struggle to get out of their driveways to work) will also face health issues including respiratory illnesses due to the increased pollution levels, and it will endanger the health of those village children who do walk or cycle to school. At present on a normal weekday in term time there are considerable queues through West Winch and on bin-collection day for example the congestion is extreme with drivers getting frustrated and the potential for dangerous overtaking increased.

Object to Main Modification 116, page 87, policy E2.1

Strongly object to the building of 300 houses on the A10 without any highways intervention, then another 300-1100 houses with a 'link road'. This is ridiculous. Most of these houses will contain children who will need to access school. Without a new primary school being constructed before the houses, then they will be going to either West Winch Primary or Watlington Primary (I believe West Winch is already at capacity). Thus their parents will either brave the A10 cycle path/pavement or much more likely – drive their offspring to school, adding yet more cars to the A10, more congestion, more pollution...EVERY DAY.

This extra traffic was NOT taken into consideration by Hopkins Highway Study. Indeed the Hopkins Transport Study was not well prepared and it most certainly doesn't meet the needs of West Winch residents. The idea that the A10 can take another 300 houses without any highway intervention is a fallacy. It does not take into consideration the substantial amount of holiday traffic to and from the coast, the school traffic to the primary school or the heavy lorries needing access to either the port or the local sugar beet factory. Already the accident rate on the A10 is abominable. As a non-dual road emergency vehicles struggle to access victims as it is. Without a well-planned bypass then traffic will detour round smaller villages like North Runcton on roads that are not made for this volume/type of traffic thereby endangering lives.

There needs to be a well-planned bypass which commences at the Watlington roundabout, thereby removing all heavy traffic from West Winch. Obviously it needs to be completed BEFORE any housing is built.

(Continue on a separate sheet if necessary.)

Please note you should cover succinctly all the information, evidence and supporting information necessary to support/justify your comments.

Section 4: Data Protection

The Main Modifications consultations form the final stage(s) of the plan-making process for the Local Plan 2021-2040. Do you wish to be notified further about the Local Plan, at either of the following stages?

Publication of Inspector’s Report (anticipated January 2025)?	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adoption of Local Plan (anticipated February 2025)?	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>

In complying with the General Data Protection Regulation (UK GDPR) and Data Protection Act 2018, King’s Lynn and West Norfolk Borough Council confirms that it will process personal data gathered from this form only for the purposes relating to the consultation. It is intended to publish responses to this consultation on the Borough Council’s website. However, it should be noted that all personal information (except for names and organisation name, where appropriate) will not be published.

When you give consent for us to process data, you have the right to withdraw that consent at any time. If you wish to withdraw your consent, you must notify us at lpr@west-norfolk.gov.uk or 01553 616200.

Section 5: Signature and Date of Representation

Please sign and date below:	
Signature: (electronic signatures are acceptable)	S A Smith
Date:	20/08/24

Please note the following:

To be considered, your representation will need to be received by 11:59pm on Wednesday, 2nd October 2024.

The Main Modifications are being consulted upon in two parts. The Part 1 consultation covers all aspects of the Local Plan except Gypsies, Travellers and Travelling Showpeople, which will be subject to a separate Main Modifications (Part 2) consultation during autumn 2024.

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