# Borough Council of King's Lynn and West Norfolk Local Plan 2021-2040



# **Representation Form**

Consultation on Schedule of Main Modifications Part 1, August 2024

Closing date for submitting representations: 11:59pm, Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2024

### Part A

### **Section 1: Contact information**

	Respondent details	Agent details (where applicable)
Title:	Mrs	
First Name:	Lynn	
Last Name:	Devereux	
Organisation (where	Holme-next-the-Sea Parish	
relevant):	Council	
Address:		
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?

1	Main	Local Plan	Local Plan	Policy title (as applicable)
1	Modification	Paragraph	Policy ref (if	
	MM) ref	ref	applicable)	
	MM6			New policy – Windfall development

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?		
Complies with the Duty to cooperate?		
Positively prepared (i.e. seeks to meet the area's objectively assessed needs)?		
Justified (an appropriate strategy, taking into account the reasonable alternatives, and based on proportionate evidence)?		
Effective (i.e. deliverable over the plan period)?		
Consistent with national policy (National Planning Policy Framework: National Planning Policy Framework (publishing.service.gov.uk))?		

### 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.

This MM adds considerable clarity to the approach to windfall development – in particular the criteria have been clarified and are easier to interpret and apply.

Recognition of the need to control development in order to maintain the character and distinctiveness of the rural villages and prevent encroachment beyond boundaries into the countryside is particularly welcomed (indeed it was for this reason the SADMP introduced development boundaries for Tier 6 settlements- specifically to direct and contain development in order to limit harmful extensions of smaller villages and hamlets into the countryside).

Furthermore, explicit acknowledgement of the need to manage the spread of development beyond boundaries in settlements within the National Landscapes is consistent with the weight afforded to this designation by national policy.

These changes go a long way to address concerns that the substantial amount of windfall development would gravitate to greenfield sites in the most attractive and sensitive locations in the Borough but - acknowledging that NDPs have the potential to create allocations beyond their

boundaries subject to consistency with upper tier policies (eg in order to achieve affordable housing or satisfy a distinct local need).				
(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)?  Adoption of Local Plan (anticipated February 2025)?  Yes  No				
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 <a href="mailto:lpr@west-norfolk.gov.uk">lpr@west-norfolk.gov.uk</a> or 01553 616200				
Section 5: Signature and Date of Representation				
Please sign and date below:				

Signature: (electronic	
signatures are	
acceptable)	
Date:	23/09/2024

Please note the following:

- To be considered, your representation will need to be received by **11:59pm on Wednesday**, **2**<sup>nd</sup> **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.