

Section B: Your Representation

Please complete a separate sheet for each representation that you wish to make. You must complete 'Part A – Personal Details' for your representation to be accepted.

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Question 1: Please indicate which consultation document this representation relates to?

The Local Plan

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Sustainability Appraisal

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Habitat Regulations Assessment

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Question 2: Please indicate which section of the indicated document identified above that you are commenting on (where applicable please clearly state the section / heading or paragraph number).

Section 09: (Site Allocation)

- Policy R25, 9.197 - 9.200

- Policy R26, 9.201 - 9.205

Section 04: (Managing Growth)

- Policy SP01 - D (a) and D (f)

- Para 4.9

- Para 4.2

- Policy SP02

Section 08: (Natural Environment)

- Policy NE06, 8.5 - 8.64

- Para 8.85 (iv)

- Para 8.90

- Para 8.101

- Policy NE13

Question 3: Do you consider the Local Plan is:

Sound?

YES

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NO

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Legally Compliant?

YES

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NO

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Compliant with the Duty to Cooperate?

YES

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NO

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Question 4: If you consider the Local Plan unsound, please indicate your reasons below (please tick all that apply):

The Local Plan has not been positively prepared

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The Local Plan is not justified

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~~The Local Plan is not effective~~

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The Local Plan is not consistent with national planning policy



Question 5: Please provide details of either:

- Why you consider the Plan to be sound, legally compliant, or adheres to the Duty to Cooperate; or
- Why you consider that the Local Plan is unsound, is not legally compliant, or fails to comply with the Duty to Cooperate

1. There are several other developments taking place in the North of the Borough in addition to those proposed for Blackmore. No consideration has been taken in respect of these additional developments which if taken into account could well fulfil the local housing requirements without building on Green Belt Land

2. From the discussions at a recent meeting with council representatives they were not fully aware of these other developments for example in the region of 30 dwellings at the top of Fingrith Hall Lane which will also further add to the unacceptable impact on the Village

4. The planning officers have not had sufficient detailed dialogue with other local boroughs to ensure that proposals take into account all local development and options for example the development taking place in the Fyfield Road out of Ongar. I cannot accept that Brentwood Council acts independently without due consideration to all local developments that would impact on what is a huge impact which cannot be sustained by Blackmore Village

3. The principle of residential development off of Red Rose Lane is wrong – Blackmore is an isolated village with modest services and infrastructure and I would point out the current challenges we face living here:

- One village shop/Post Office with very restricted parking

- A Doctors surgery whereby I genuinely hope I do not need to request urgent care. If you want any form of response you have to continuously dial repeatedly to get assistance – comments on the website page highlights this <https://www.nhs.uk/Services/GP/Overview/DefaultView.aspx?id=44114>
- The local village school has very limited places and resources which was put under further pressure due to a large unapproved travelling community site with some 20-30 caravans and families is also impacting on the village resources available

4 Red Rose Lane itself is entirely unsuitable for this volume of traffic movements. This lane is regularly used currently by large agricultural vehicles which have to by-pass the village due to their size. They are large "Tracked" Tractors unit towing a large trailers which take up the full width of the lane and this closes the road to oncoming traffic. If they meet any vehicles coming the other way have to reverse to one of two temporary "Passing Places". Additionally large school buses use this lane again creating serious safety risks. The risk of a further 70-80 vehicles accessing the planned site and village early and late periods has simply not been fully considered and will not be feasible

Red Rose Lane regularly floods with the water coming down Nine Ashes Road like a river and into the lane. The ditches and limited drainage near to the junction simply cannot cope and a large area is regularly left under water during the winter months. Flooding has increasingly become an issue in recent years and has now started to erode the land at the front of our house. This will also further impact the flooding risk in the village which has been an increasing problem.

I would also add that the recent and what I would say "convenient" excessive cutting back of the bushes and trees on either side will further contribute to the flooding risk this during winter months due to the foliage now lying in the verge and ditches.

Due to the above access on/off of Red Rose Lane is simply not a viable prospect and the width of the road restricts this.

5. As a local resident I find the whole review and consultation process has not been carried out in an open transparent or logical way which I would have expected if due legal process had been followed. At the initial consultation meeting so many questions were asked that the persons present could not answer and it was only when challenged by our community that further discussions took place to fully explain what was being proposed. At the last meeting we challenged the council planners in respect of other options both in and around the village which they had not taken into consideration

6. Brentwood Council has simply not demonstrated that they have taken into account other Brownfield sites that are available which surely must take priority over the development of Green Belt Land between Red Rose Lane and Blackmore Village

7. No housing needs survey has been carried out by the council to justify why Blackmore has been included in the Local Development Plan and they have failed to demonstrate that the required housing could not be met by increasing housing density on other (allocated) sites

8 Blackmore has been "singled out" because there are more suitable locations for example further urban extension to Brentwood whereby there would be sufficient resources to sustain expansion – and the locations in Blackmore do not promote sustainable development

The current proposed plan is simple not viable as all the options have not been fully investigated

Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary

QUESTION 6. Please set out what modification(s) you consider necessary to make the Local Plan sound or legally compliant, having regard to the matters you identified above.

You will need to say why this modification will make the Local Plan sound or legally compliant. Please be as accurate as possible.

Sites R25 and R26 Should be removed from the LDP and Planners should refer to The BVHA Neighbourhood Plan which clearly sets out our local housing needs, for our already sustainable community

Green belt should not be built on without due process. The BVHA plan should be taken into account as it sets out our local sustainable requirements

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Question 7: If your representation is seeking a modification, do you consider it necessary to participate at the oral part of the Examination in Public (EiP)?

NO, I do not wish to participate in the oral part of the EiP.

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YES, I wish to participate in the oral part of the EiP.

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Question 8: If you wish to participate at the oral part of the Examination, please outline why you consider this to be necessary.

I believe that it is important that full representation is given and the matter discussed fully.
I have tried my best to set out my objections as to why the plan and current approach by Brentwood Borough Council is wrong/flawed

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Please note that the Inspector (not the Council) will determine the most appropriate procedure to hear those who have indicated that they wish to participate in the oral part of the Examination.

