

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.

Representations cannot be treated as confidential and will be published on our Consultation Portal. Any representations that are considered libelous, racist, abusive or offensive will not be accepted. All representations made will only be attributed to your name. We will not publish any contact details, signatures or other sensitive information.

Full Name

MRS BRENDA CLEGG

Question 1: Which **Main Modification and/or supporting document** does your representation relate to?

Each Main Modification within the Schedule has a reference number. This can be found in the first column i.e. MM1, MM2

Any representations on a supporting document should clearly state which paragraphs of the document it relates to and, as far as possible, your comments should be linked to specific Main Modifications. You should avoid lengthy comments on the supporting documents themselves.

Representations on the Policies Map must be linked to specific modifications in that they reflect a change required as a result of a Main Modification.

Schedule of Potential Main Modifications

MM no.

78 107
108

Sustainability Appraisal

para(s)

Habitat Regulations Assessment

para(s)

Policies Map or other supporting documents

Please specify

Question 2: Do you consider this **Main Modification and/or supporting document**:

Legally Compliant?

YES

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NO

☐

Sound?

YES

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NO

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Question 3: If you consider the **Main Modification and/or supporting document** unsound, please indicate which of the soundness test(s) does it fail (please mark all that apply):

Not positively prepared

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Not justified

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Not effective

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Not consistent with national planning policy

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Question 4: Please provide details of either:

- Why you consider the **Main Modification and/or supporting document** to be sound or legally compliant; or
- Why you consider the **Main Modification and/or supporting document** to be unsound or is not legally compliant.

FLOOD RISK

I live in Church Street, which is in a low level of the village and regularly experiences flooding. This was particularly severe in 1987 when an elderly neighbour had to be rescued by my husband in a boat. I had been away from home during the torrential rain storm but, on my return, I was flashed by motorists at Tips Cross. I was told I could go no further because the road before me was flooded. A problem indeed! But I needed to return home somehow. I thought of another route, which was on higher gradient than the Blackmore Road. However, all the way home water was cascading across this road like a river and, as I neared Nine Ashes Road leading to Blackmore, it streamed across the harvested field to totally engulf St. Laurence Church and most of Church Street.

The MM107 and MM108 proposed developments would fall within this critical drainage area. Run-off water from so many new houses with their concrete surrounding, hard surfaces would increase the speed of flooding in the centre of the established village below. May there not be overflowing sewage issues also? We have been told that climate change may cause more frequent storms. Having witnessed the speed of surface water flowing across fields, I have great concern for our Church, a centre of village life, in future years.

I believe that a number of new houses have been erected in recent years, so perhaps a more gradual approach should be adopted in a pastoral area of green belt land.

Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary

Question 5: Please set out what change(s) you consider necessary to make the **Main Modification and/or supporting document** sound or legally compliant, having regard to the matters that you identified above.

You will need to say why this change will make the Submission Version of the Local Plan sound or legally compliant. It will be helpful if you are able to put forward your suggested revised wording of any policy or text. Please be as accurate as possible.

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