

## **Part B** – **Please use a separate sheet for each representation**

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3. To which part of the Local Plan does this representation relate?

Paragraph	Policy HC12	Policies	з Мар	
4. Do you consider the Local Plan is :				
(1) Legally compliant	Yes	x	No	
(2) Sound	Yes		No	
(3) Complies with the Duty to co-operate	Yes	X	No	X

Please tick as appropriate

5. Please give details of why you consider the Local Plan is not legally compliant or is unsound or fails to comply with the duty to co-operate. Please be as precise as possible.

If you wish to support the legal compliance or soundness of the Local Plan or its compliance with the duty to co-operate, please also use this box to set out your comments.

- Draft Policy NB6 seeks to require achievement of net zero regulated carbon emissions through an energy hierarchy, to attain a minimum 63% reduction compared to the baseline set by Building Regulations Part L including a 10% improvement on the target for Fabric Energy Efficiency, and provide on-site renewable energy generating technologies. However, this policy imposition is considered to be unnecessary given it seeks to go further than current Building Regulations and given the Future Homes Standard which is due to be implemented in 2025 (around the time the Plan is likely to be adopted); this will update Part L of Building Regulations and require new build dwellings to be future-proofed with low carbon heating and world-leading levels of energy efficiency.
- Further, draft Policy NB6 seeks to ensure all residential development proposals show compliance with a water efficiency standard of 110 litres/person/day. The Building Regulations require all new dwellings to achieve a mandatory level of water efficiency of 125 litres per day per person, which is a higher standard than that achieved by much of the existing housing stock. This mandatory standard represents an effective demand management measure. The Optional Technical Housing Standard is 110 litres per day per person, so in order for the SSLPR to adopt this it must be justified by robust and proportionate evidence; this has not been provided.



6. Please set out the modification(s) you consider necessary to make the Local Plan legally compliant and sound, in respect of any legal compliance or soundness matters you have identified at 5 above. (Please note that non-compliance with the duty to co-operate is incapable of modification at examination). You will need to say why each modification will make the Local Plan legally compliant or sound. It will be helpful if you are able to put forward your suggested revised wording of any policy or text. Please be as precise as possible.

• Draft Policy NB6 should be revised to encourage the provision of renewable and low carbon energy generating technologies within new development, and remove reference to compliance with a water efficiency standard of 110 litres/person/day, or be deleted entirely.

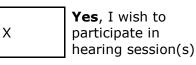
**Please note:** In your representation you should provide succinctly all the evidence and supporting information necessary to support your representation and your suggested modification(s). You should not assume that you will have a further opportunity to make submissions.

After this stage, further submissions may only be made if invited by the Inspector, based on the matters and issues he or she identifies for examination.

7. If your representation is seeking a modification to the plan, do you consider it necessary to participate in examination hearing session(s)?



**No**, I do not wish to participate in hearing session(s)



Please note that while this will provide an initial indication of your wish to participate in hearing session(s), you may be asked at a later point to confirm your request to participate.

8. If you wish to participate in the hearing session(s), please outline why you consider this to be necessary:

In order for the Inspector(s) to be able to appropriately consider the evidence presented by all parties before taking a view.

**Please note** the Inspector will determine the most appropriate procedure to adopt to hear those who have indicated that they wish to participate in hearing session(s). You may be asked to confirm your wish to participate when the Inspector has identified the matters and issues for examination.

Representations cannot be kept confidential and will be available for public scrutiny, including your name and/or organisation (if applicable). However, your contact details will not be published.

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