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Name of the Local Plan to which this representation relates:

South Staffordshire Council Local Plan 2018 - 2039

Please return to South Staffordshire Council BY 12 noon Friday 23 December 2022

This form has two parts -
 Part A - Personal Details: need only be completed once.
 Part B - Your representation(s). Please fill in a separate sheet for each representation you wish to make.

Part A

1. Personal Details*	2. Agent's Details (if applicable)	
<i>*If an agent is appointed, please complete only the Title, Name and Organisation (if applicable) boxes below but complete the full contact details of the agent in 2.</i>		
Title	MR	[Redacted]
First Name	BRIAN	
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Job Title (where relevant)		
Organisation (where relevant)		
Address Line 1	[Redacted]	
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Line 3	[Redacted]	
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Post Code	[Redacted]	
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(where relevant)

Part B – Please use a separate sheet for each representation Wyatt B 2

Name or Organisation:

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

Paragraph Policy Policies Map

4. Do you consider the Local Plan is :

(1) Legally compliant	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(2) Sound	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
(3) Complies with the Duty to co-operate	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

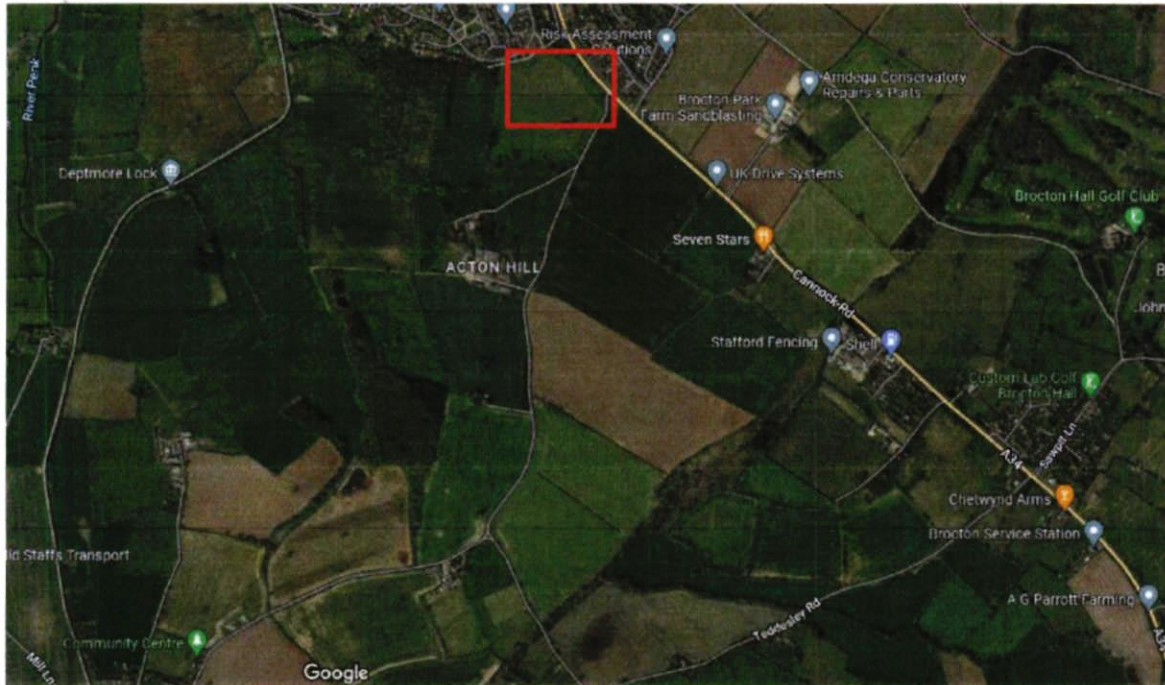
Please tick as appropriate

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.

This is the location of 036c. Note the proximity/integration with Pasture and Arable land and, of course, Cannock Chase. It and the rest of the land that will likely be opened up to future development if this plan is approved, that between 036a and around Acton Hill, to Acton Trussell to the SSW, is an important wildlife and biodiversity link between these areas and the Staffs and Worcester Canal and the River Penk valley to the West.

Connectivity is established as important in the Staffordshire Wildlife Trust Biodiversity Report; it appears to have been ignored in the Plan in respect of site 36c.



The site in question is good quality agricultural land and forms a valuable wildlife corridor running down from the upland areas of Cannock Chase AONB <1km east of the site, to the low level river areas around Hazelstrine, to the Canal (<1km) and River Penk (ca. 1.5km) to the west.

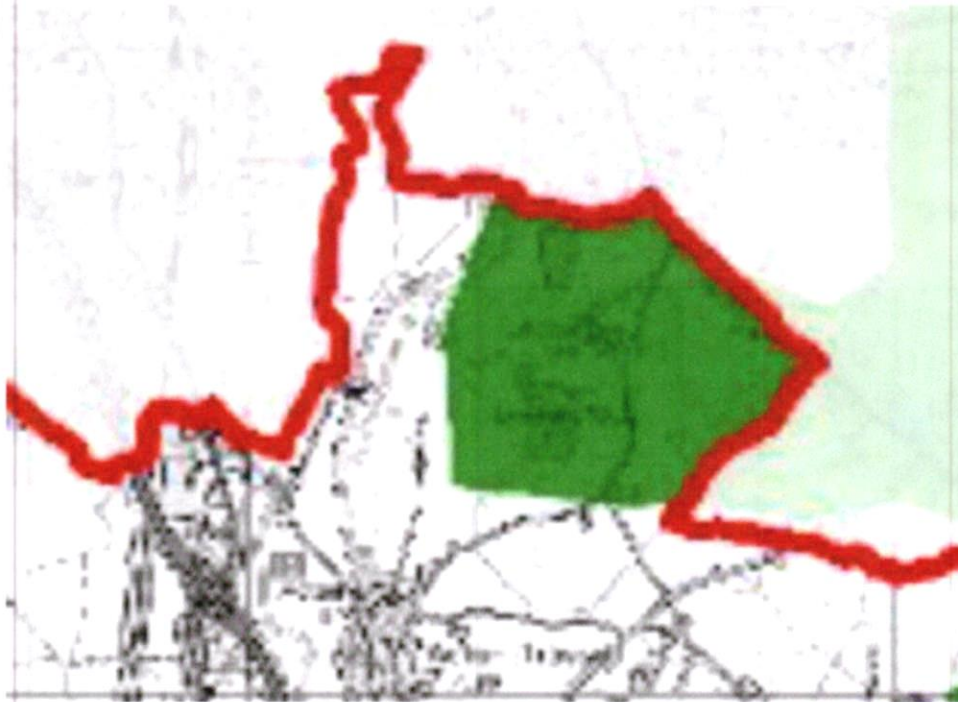
34 species of birds are seen on a regular basis, together with deer, badgers, bats and hares.

It has been farmed very successfully for many years. Development will reduce the environmental amenities and affect the existing wildlife.

The site is within 1 km of the Cannock Chase AONB and affects its surroundings. The Plan site mapping does not indicate the close proximity to the AONB boundary although this was requested in previous consultations. Development on this site would be visible from the AONB particularly if three storey housing is permitted on the 036s site, and therefore the setting of the AONB could be detrimentally affected.



It is identified in the Staffordshire Wildlife Trust Biodiversity Report as:
A woodland opportunity area



It is presently established Pasture and Arable land, identified in the Staffordshire Wildlife Trust Biodiversity Report as being space likely to support:

7.6.2 Key Species

- Barn Owl
- Brown Hare
- Harvest Mouse
- Polecat
- Grey Partridge
- Wall Brown butterfly
- Arable 'weeds' and cornfield annuals rare to the county found in set-aside ground, headlands and field margins.

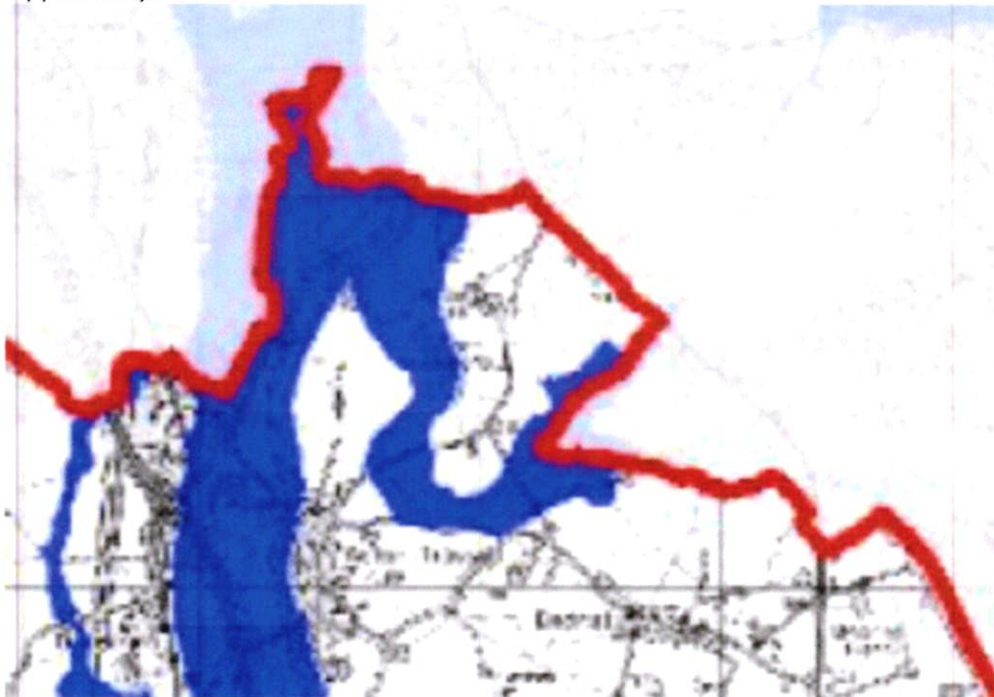


And vulnerable to:

7.6.3 Threats

- Habitat fragmentation.
- Agricultural intensification.
- Urban encroachment.
- Pollution of waterways.

It is noted that the site drains into the important and nearby River Penk flood plain identified in the Staffordshire Wildlife Trust Biodiversity Report as a Wetland Opportunity:





1. It is evident that, although the Staffordshire Wildlife Trust Biodiversity Report is referenced in the Plan, its data and consequences have not been given due attention

I have other representations on additional sheets

(Continue on a separate sheet /expand box if necessary)

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.

To reduce the number of proposed new houses in the Plan and, specifically to delete the land shown on Policies map 036c from the Plan.

I have other representations in respect of how the selection of the land on 036c has been improperly selected for development on additional sheets

(Continue on a separate sheet /expand box if necessary)

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)

Yes, I 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:

To enable the Inspector to be appraised of all of the issues that render the proposed site at 036c unsuitable for development.

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.

Data Protection

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