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Dear Sir/Madam,

Please accept these comments below for my formal response to the South Staffs Local Plan Regulation 19 consultation period:

Firstly, the Local Plan is Legally Compliant, Sound and Complies with Duty to Cooperate.

Especially in relation to the Lawnswood and Friars Gorse sites, I support the protection of the Greenbelt. Any development should be in the sustainable locations that have been identified, with good infrastructure and public transport links and nearby facilities.

In specific reference to some of the chapters in the Publication Plan:

2.8 I agree that Tier 1 villages are assessed as having the greatest access to services and facilities relative to other settlements, with Tier 4/5 settlements the lowest.

The Lawnswood and Friars Gorse sites are not villages or settlements.

They are Green Belt, which borders the Black Country / West Midlands. They have no facilities, infrastructure, or public transport links and are totally unsuitable for development.

5.3 I agree that the council should allocate suitable Brownfield sites first and foremost and should also ensure neighbouring authorities to do the same.

Regards,

James William Chapman

