

Development Plan Document (DPD) Publication Stage Representation Form

Publication Amended Allocations & Development Management Development Plan Document (DPD)

A guidance note has been produced to assist in the completion of this form. Copies have been provided in correspondence and additional copies are available at: Castle House, Libraries in the District and https://www.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/aadm-representation/

Newark and Sherwood District Council is seeking your comments on the Publication Amended Allocations & Development Management DPD ('Publication AADMDPD'). Comments received at this stage should be about whether the Plan is legally compliant, sound and whether it has met the duty to cooperate. All representations must be received by the Council by 12 Noon on 9th January 2023.

This form has two parts- Part A- Personal / Agent Details and Part B- Your Representation(s) and further notification requests. (Please fill in a separate sheet (Part B) for each aspect or part of the Local Plan you wish to make representation on). Documents to support your representations (optional) should be referenced.

Privacy Notice

Apart from your comments below, the personal information you have provided will only be used by Newark & Sherwood District Council in accordance with the UK General Data Protection Regulation and the Data Protection Act 2018 and will not be shared with any third party.

The basis under which the Council uses personal data for this purpose is to undertake a public task.

The information that you have provided will be kept in accordance with the Council's retention schedule, which can be found at: <u>https://www.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/dataprotection/</u>

Please note the Council cannot accept anonymous responses. All representations received will be made available for public inspection and therefore cannot be treated as confidential. They will also be:

Published in the public domain;

Published on the Council's website;

Shared with other organisations for the purpose of developing/adopting the Publication AADMDPD and forwarded to the Secretary of State for consideration;

Made available to the Planning Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State to examine the Publication AADMDPD; and

Used by the Inspector to contact you regarding the Examination of the Plan.

When making representations available on the Council's website the Council will remove all telephone numbers, email addresses and signatures.

By submitting your Response Form/representation, you agree to your personal details being processed in accordance with these Data Protection Terms.

PART A- Personal / Agent Details

In circumstances where individuals/groups share a similar view, it would be helpful to the Inspector to make a single representation, stating how many people the submission is representing and how the representation was authorised.

1. Personal Details

2. Agents Details

*If an agent is appointed, please complete only the Title, Name and Organisation boxes below but complete the full contact details of the agent in 2.

Title	Mr	
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Organisation (where relevant	:)	
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Line 4		
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Email Address		
Name or Organisation: Priv	vate individual	

PART B- Representation(s)

3. To which part of the DPD does this Representation relate?

Part of the Publication AADMDPD:	Mark if Relevant (X)	Specify number/part/document:
Amended AADMDPD Paragraph Number		Paragraph Number:
Amended AADMDPD Policy Number	Х	Policy Number: NUA/Ho/10
Amended AADMDPD Policies Map Amendments	Х	Part of Policy Map: NUA/Ho/10
Integrated Impact Assessment ¹		Paragraph Number:
Statement of Consultation		Paragraph Number:
Supporting Evidence Base		Document Name:
		Page/Paragraph:

4. Do you consider the DPD to be LEGALLY COMPLIANT?

	Yes	No
5	Do you consider the DPD to comply with the Duty-to-Cooperate?	
	Yes	No 🗌
6.	Do you consider the DPD to be SOUND?	
	Yes	No 🖂

*The considerations in relation to the Legal Compliance, Duty to Cooperate and the DPD being 'Sound' are explained in the Newark & Sherwood Development Plan Document Representation Guidance Notes and in Paragraph 35 of National Planning Policy Framework 2021 (NPPF).

¹ The Integrated Impact Assessment (IIA) integrates Sustainability Appraisal (SA), Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA), Equalities Impact Assessment (EqIA) and Health Impact Assessment (HIA). Sustainability Appraisals (SA) are a requirement of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 and Strategic Environmental Assessments (SEA) are required by European Directive EC/2001/42, which was transposed into UK law by the Environmental Assessment Regulations for Plans and Programmes (July 2004). The EqIA is a way of demonstrating the District Council is fulfilling the requirements of the Public Sector Equality Duty contained in section 149 of the Equality Act 2010. HIA is a recognised process for considering the health impacts of plans and undertaking this type of assessment is widely seen as best practice.

- 7. The DPD is not sound because it is not:
 - (1) Positively Prepared
 - (2) Justified
 - (3) Effective
 - (4) Consistent with national policy $\overline{>}$
- 8. Please provide precise details of why you believe the DPD is, or is not, legally compliant, sound or in compliance with the duty to cooperate in the box below.

If you wish to provide supplementary information to support your details, please ensure they are clearly referenced.

I am objecting specifically to the allocation of NUA/Ho/10 – Newark Urban Area Housing Site 10, located on the north site of Lowfield Lane in Balderton. The site comprises an area of grassland (at least some of which is grazed by horses), bound by mature hedgerows with trees. The site has significant biodiversity value, which has not been recognised. More specifically, the plan is not sound for the following reasons:

I understand that an ecological survey of the site has been carried out, which confirms that the site qualifies as a Local Wildlife Site based on botanical interest and as a Habitat of Principal Importance (Lowland Meadows).

This survey report does not appear to be available on the NSDC website, and it therefore appears that the plan has not been objectively assessed, and that a reliable evidence base has not been presented to the public.

No reference is made to the need to avoid, mitigate against or compensate for loss of the site in Policy NUA/Ho/10, and no reference is made to meeting 10% Biodiversity Net Gain requirements. Allocation of this site is not consistent with the NPPF, specifically, policies 174 (a), (b) and (d) and 179 (a) and (b), and will not allow proper application of policy 180 (a) when a planning application is submitted.

The Integrated Impact Assessment for this site is highly misleading, having scored Biodiversity a zero (i.e. no impact); if the site does indeed qualify as an LWS an a Habitat of Principal Importance, as I understand that it does, then this conclusion is clearly erroneous and it should in fact be scored a triple negative (see page 59/60 of the IIA) due to the loss of a site that is of at least county-level importance for its wildlife.

Allocation and development of this site would mean that sustainable development is not achieved. The site makes a minimal contribution to district housing targets, and the loss of this site will not be significant in that context.

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

9. Please set out what change(s) you consider necessary to make the DPD legally compliant or sound, having regard to the test you have identified at 6 above where this relates to soundness. You will need to say why this change will make the DPD 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.

NUA/Ho/10 should either be deleted as an allocation, or further information needs to be provided to demonstrate how impacts can be avoided and a minimum 10% Biodiversity Net Gain can be achieved at this site.

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

Please note your Representation should cover succinctly all the information, evidence and supporting Information necessary to support/justify the Representation and the suggested change, as there will not normally be a subsequent opportunity to make further Representations based on the original Representations at the Publication stage. After this stage, further submissions will be only at the request of the Inspector, based on the matters and issues he/she identifies for Examination.

10. If your Representation is seeking a change, do you consider it necessary to participate at the oral part of the examination?

No, I do not wish to participate at the oral	Yes, I wish to participate at the oral Examination
Examination	

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

The ecological survey for the site is not available at the time of making this representation; this will need further scrutiny and the conclusions from, and implications of that report will need to be presented to the Inspector, so that he/she has all the facts available to them.

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

Please note the Inspector will determine the most appropriate procedure to adopt to hear those who have indicated that they wish to participate at the oral part of the Examination.

12. Please tick the relevant boxes below to receive notifications (via email) on the following events:

Date: 08/01/2022	
DPD has been formally adopted.	
Planning Inspector's recommendations for the DPD have been published.	
Examination in Public hearing sessions	
DPD submitted to the Secretary of State for Inspection	

Signature:

Please return this form by 12 Noon on 9 th January 2023 to one of the addresses below:		
Email:	planningpolicy@nsdc.info	
Post:	Planning Policy & Infrastructure Business Unit Newark & Sherwood District Council	Office Use Only
	Castle House Great North Road	Date of Receipt:
	Newark NG24 1BY	Representation No:
Information is available at: https://www.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/aadm-representation/		