GILLINGHAM NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN Regulation 16 Consultation: 4 January – 15 February 2018

Response Form

Gillingham Town Council has submitted a Neighbourhood Plan for Gillingham to North Dorset District Council (NDDC) under Regulation 15 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended). Regulation 16 requires NDDC to publicise the plan on its website and to invite representations for a prescribed period of time. All representations made at this stage will be sent to an independent examiner.

The submitted plan and supporting documents can be accessed online from <u>dorsetforyou.gov.uk/Proposed-Gillingham-Plan</u>

All comments must be received by **5pm Thursday 15 February 2018**. We cannot accept late responses.

Please return completed forms to:

Email: planningpolicy@north-dorset.gov.uk

Post: Planning Policy (North Dorset), South Walks House, South Walks Road, DORCHESTER, DT1 1UZ

Part A – Personal Details

Please complete this part of the form as unfortunately we cannot accept confidential or anonymous representations. By submitting this form you consent to your information being disclosed to third parties for this purpose. Personal details will not be visible on our website, although they will be shown on paper copies that will be sent to the independent examiner and available for inspection.

Note, if comments are being made by an agent, all correspondence will be sent to the agent unless requested otherwise.

	Details of person(s) making response	Details of appointed agent (if applicat
Title	Mr	
First Name	Geoff	
Last Name	Longcroft	
Job Title		
(where relevant)		
Organisation (where relevant)		
Address		
Postcode		

Tel. No.		
Email Address		

Part B – Representation

1. Which document does the comment relate?

Tick one box only.

	Neighbourhood	Plan – Submission vers	ion	
	Neighbourhood Area Map (included within the neighbourhood plan document)			
	Consultation Statement			
	Basic Conditions Statement			
	Strategic Environmental Assessment and Habitats Regulations Assessment Determination Notice			
	Strategic Environmental Assessment and Habitats Regulations Assessment Screening Report			
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2. Which part of the document does the comment relate?

Identify the text that you are commenting on as appropriate.

	Location of Text	
Whole document	x	
Section / chapter / appendix		
Policy		
Page		

	Support
	Support with conditions
	Object
х	Make an observation

1. Do you wish to?

Tick one box only.

2. Please give your reasons in the box below.

In principle the scheme has much to praise however I have some reservations, development around the station area is welcome but I find it hard to see how this will help the main High St .parking is difficult and has a charge it desperately needs free parking and existing businesses and or start ups would benefit from some form of rate relief.

All the majority of the new housing has to access the town or beyond via the Kingsmead roundabout and onto the Shaftesbury Road which already is very busy and prone to hold ups from the pinch point at the railway bridge back as far as the roundabout and sometimes beyond. I am not convinced by the developers assurances that intelligent traffic lights will solve any issues and the new link road to the B3092 just ends up at the railway bridge lights , the amount of pollution caused is also a consideration, much of the current traffic is heavy goods and only on route elsewhere I feel a relief road of some sort is essential.

I was also puzzled by Aldi's planning application being refused siting amongst other points traffic congestion ,when it is perfectly happy for all the housing traffic to exit at this point. The car parking in the towns supermarkets is just about at capacity now and with no possibility of expansion how will they serve all our new shoppers ?.

There must be assurances that the medical centre ,schools,community hub etc. are all at the forefront of construction and that along with low cost homes a decent supply of social housing is included.

I am fully in support of the scheme but want to ensure that the town grows and prospers from it.

Continue overleaf if necessary

Date: _____

Yes	
No	

4. Do you wish to be notified of the District Council's decision to make or refuse to make the neighbourhood plan?

Please tick one box only.

Signature:_____

If submitting the form electronically, no signature is required.