North Dorset
DISTRICT COUNCIL

STURMINSTER NEWTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN 2016-2031
Regulation 16 Consultation 6 April to 25 May 2018

Response Form

The proposed Sturminster Newton Neighbourhood Plan 2016-2031 has been submitted to North Dorset District Council for examination. The neighbourhood plan and all supporting documentation can be viewed on the District Council's website via:

https://www.dorsetforyou.com/article/422589/North-Dorset-Neighbourhood-Plans---Submitted-Plans

Please return completed forms to:

Email: planningpolicy@north-dorset.gov.uk

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

Deadline: 4pm on Friday 25 May 2018. Representations received after this date will not be accepted.

Part A – Personal Details

This part of the form must be completed by all people making representations as **anonymous comments cannot be accepted.** By submitting this response 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. Your information will be retained by the Council in line with its retention schedule. Your data will be destroyed when the plan becomes redundant.

*If an agent is appointed, please complete only the Title, Name and Organisation boxes to the personal details but complete the full contact details of the agent. All correspondence will be sent to the agent.

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Part B – Representation

1. **To which document does the comment relate?** *Please tick one box only.*

√	Submission Plan
	Consultation Statement
	Basic Conditions Statement
	Other	*Please specify:*

2. **To which part of the document does the comment relate?** *Please identify the text that you are commenting on, where appropriate.*

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Whole document	
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3. **Do you wish to?** *Please tick one box only.*

	Support
√	Object
	Make an observation

4. **Please use the box below to give reasons for your support/objection or make your observation.**

By stating that 'these important community buildings should be retained and allowed to modernise and adapt to continue to meet the community's needs (either in their current location or through suitable alternative provision in the Neighbourhood Plan area)….' it is effectively stating that the sites cannot be disposed of unless a suitable alternative provision is made within the town.
it is not the role of a Neighbourhood Plan to specify that specific services must continue within the town. By stating that a site should be used to provide a community service and that the redevelopment of the site for alternative purposes will be strongly resisted, the NHP could frustrate the strategic rationalisation of a specific service which takes into account a wider overview of service provision.

It is understandable why the plan would want to retain a service within the town however as drafted policy 10 is preudical to future service design. Whilst it allows for reprovision and redevelopment it does not allow for a circumstance if reprovision is not a viable option.

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5. **Please give details of any suggested modifications in the box below.**

Revision of text

…and adapt to continue to meet the community's needs *where service provision remains viable* **(either in their current location or through suitable alternative provision.**

6. **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.*

√	Yes
	No

Signature:_____   Date: 23 5 18_____

If submitting the form electronically, no signature is required.