

# SHAFTESBURY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Regulation 16 Consultation 7 February to 20 March 2020

### Response Form

The proposed Shaftesbury Neighbourhood Plan 2019 to 2031 has been submitted to Dorset Council for examination. The neighbourhood plan and all supporting documentation can be viewed on Dorset Council's website: www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/shaftesbury-neighbourhood-plan

#### Please return completed forms to:

Email: planningpolicy@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk
Post: Planning Policy, South Walks House, South Walks Road, Dorchester, DT1 1UZ
Deadline: 4pm on Friday 20 March 2020. 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**.

\*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.

	Location of Text	19
Whole document	Please see references in box below	ana .
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#### 3. Do you wish to? Please tick one box only.

Support
Object
Make an observation; Please see box below

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

#### page 13

VISION FOR 2031; "Best example etc.", is vague & could be stated by any town. Statement of criteria, components etc., & a visionary plan would be helpful, e.g. see Thame NP.

#### page 18

THE TOWN CENTRE item 2.1 Key Messages & Aims; No reference to town's important & varied public realm within a short distance & the importance of hard-surfaces, edges etc.

#### page 19

MAP SFTC Town Centre;

shows LIDL site as "Significant Strategic Car Park"; however LIDL development will preclude this.

#### pages 32-34

POLICIES SFHE 2 & 3 Housing & Employment;

no reference to SuDS & latest CIRIA Guidance publications – include in Appendix M - Schedule of Evidence Sources.

#### page 35

MAP SFHE 3 Employment Areas;

magenta-coloured areas shown on plan (e.g.Royal Chase Hotel) are not shown in key.

#### page 37

MAP SFHE 4 Bypass Corridor;

omits examination of possible viable route/alignment options to north (albeit in Wiltshire) clarify that alignment to south links to C13.

#### page 43

MAP SFGI 1 Local Green Spaces & Important treed Areas;

clarify that "Local Green Spaces" is a Statutory Designation which requires significant justification & wouldn't apply to all the open spaces identified in the Plan

"Local Green Spaces" & "Important Treed Areas" identified in the Map are not mutually-exclusive & should be mapped separately.

e.g. treed areas on Castle Hill, Park & Pine Walks are not shown

"The Wilderness" is not a local green space (either informally nor as a Statutory designation), it is an important treed area in private ownership.

It would be helpful to map - open spaces as a land-use, visually important open areas (whether in public or private ownership) & important treed areas separately for clarification.

#### Page 80

MAP SFCL 1 Community Facilities;

Castle Hill Green, & Mound, & St John's Churchyard are not shown as Informal Recreation/Amenity spaces.

The proposed Community Hall & Trinity Green public open space & allotments are not shown (as per the Eastern Development Master Plan).

Abbey Ponds (one of the Scheduled Ancient Monuments) are not a tourist attraction; they are remote/inaccessible, overgrown & on private land.

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MAP SFCL 2 Shaftesbury Tourism;

Abbey House is not a tourism attraction but a private, inaccessible dwelling.

The Grosvenor Hotel is incorrectly shown as a pub.

Castle Mound is shown extending into the private Castle Gardens.

#### Page 85

MAP SFCL 3 Existing & Proposed Footpaths & Cycleways;

Dorset County Council's Strategic Cycleway Network is not shown.

The Hardy Way & White Hart Link footpaths are not shown.

The text duplicates the key.

Existing & proposed (both committed & desirable) should be clarified.

Explanation about segregated cycleways (Government Policy) & difficulties of retro-fitting cycleways would be useful.

#### GENERALLY; OMISSIONS;

- no reference to surrounding agricultural land, including land-use & development policies including siting & form of buildings, massing, use of materials, colour, visual impacts from high ground,

- agro-forestry opportunities etc. hedgerow & tree cover protection & enhancement for water management, shelter, wildlife habitat, locking-up carbon, releasing oxygen, filtering particulate pollution

- B 3081 Link Road from Gillingham & it's traffic, environmental & visual impact.

- no policy on 'windfall' sites including their potential overdevelopment.

- timetable for completion of the Eastern Development including the northward extension of the Link Road.

- policy on impermeable hard-surfacing of front gardens for parking

- provision of school

- site-planning & design guideline diagrams for strategic sites e.g. former ATS & Budgens sites

- strategic pedestrian links to town centre e.g. through LIDL site

#### COMPLAINT;

1.

Members of the original Neighbourhood Plan Group were prevented from attending the formation meeting of the new Group by Shaftesbury Town Council, nor invited to fill the subsequent two vacancies.

I respectfully request that this is brought to the attention of the Examiner.

Continue on a separate sheet if necessary

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

Continue on a separate sheet if necessary

6. Do you wish to be notified of Dorset Council's decision to make or refuse to make the neighbourhood plan? *Please tick one box only.* 

Yes	
No	

Signature:

Date: 27 March 2020

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If submitting the form electronically, no signature is required.

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