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# North Dorset Local Plan – 2011 to 2026 Part 1

## Pre-submission Focused Changes Consultation

### 1 August to 12 September 2014

Regulation 19 of Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012

## Response Form

**For each representation you wish to make a separate response form will need to be completed.**

This is a formal consultation on the legal compliance and soundness of the Local Plan as amended by focused changes, before it is submitted to the Secretary of State for examination by an Inspector. For advice on how to respond to the consultation and fill in this form please see the 'Guidance Notes for Making Representations' that can be found on the Council's website at

[www.dorsetforyou.com/focusedchangesconsultation/north](http://www.dorsetforyou.com/focusedchangesconsultation/north)

**Please return completed forms to:**

Email: [planningpolicy@north-dorset.gov.uk](mailto:planningpolicy@north-dorset.gov.uk)

Post: Planning Policy, North Dorset District Council, Nordon, Salisbury Road, Blandford Forum, Dorset DT11 7LL

Alternatively you can submit your comments online at:

[www.surveymonkey.com/s/NorthDorsetLocalPlanFocusedChangesConsultation](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/NorthDorsetLocalPlanFocusedChangesConsultation)

**Deadline: 11:59 p m on 12 September 2014. Representations received after this time may 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**. Representations cannot be treated in confidence as Regulation 22 of the Town and County Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 requires copies of all representations to be made publically available. By submitting this response form you consent to your information being disclosed to third parties for this purpose, but signatures, private telephone numbers and e-mail addresses or private addresses will not be visible on our web site, although they will be shown on paper copies that will be sent to the Inspector and available for inspection.

\*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.

Personal Details (if applicable)*		Agent's Details (if applicable)*
Title		
First Name		
Last Name		
Job Title( <i>where relevant</i> )		
Organisation ( <i>where relevant</i> )		
Address		
Postcode		
Tel. No.		
Email Address		

## Part B – Representation

The Focused Changes to the North Dorset Local Plan 2011 to 2026 Part 1 and its supporting documents have been published in order for representations to be made prior to submission to the Secretary of State for examination. The purpose of the examination is to consider whether the Local Plan as amended by focused changes, complies with the **legal requirements** and is **'sound'**.

If you are seeking to make a representation on the **way** in which the focused changes have been prepared it is likely that your comments or objections will relate to a matter of **legal compliance**.

If you are seeking to make representations on the **content** of the focused changes it is likely that your comments or objections relate to the **soundness** of the plan and whether it is justified, effective or consistent with national policy.

Further information on the matter of legal compliance and the issue of soundness can be found in the 'Guidance Notes for Making Representations'.

If you need help completing the response form please see a member of the Planning Policy Team at the consultation exhibition in Blandford Forum on 14 August 2014 or call 01258 484201.

### 1. Please select which document you are commenting on:

North Dorset Local Plan 2011 to 2026 Part 1: Pre- Submission Focused Changes  
(please complete Questions 2 to 9)

Supplement to the Sustainability Appraisal Report (please complete Questions 2 and 10)

### 2. Please state to which pre-submission focused change you are commenting on:

Change Reference:	Section reference:
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### 3. Do you consider the Local Plan as amended by focused changes, to be legally compliant and prepared in accordance with the Duty to Cooperate, legal and procedural requirements?

Yes

No

### 4. Do you consider the Local Plan as amended by focused changes, to be 'sound'?

Yes

No

### 5. If you consider the Local Plan as amended by focused changes, to be unsound please specify your reason(s) by ticking the box(es) that apply below

- It has not been positively prepared
- It is not justified
- It is not effective
- It is not consistent with national policy

**6. Please give specific details of why you consider the Local Plan as amended by focused changes, has not been prepared in accordance with the Duty to Co-operate, legal or procedural requirement or why you consider the plan to be unsound.** Alternatively, if you wish to support any aspects of the plan please also use this box to set out your comments.

*Continue on a separate sheet if necessary*

**7. What change(s) do you consider are necessary to ensure that the Local Plan is legally compliant and sound?** It would be helpful if you are able to put forward your suggested revised wording of any policy or text. Please be as precise as possible.

*Continue on a separate sheet if necessary*

**8. If your representation is seeking a change to the Local Plan as amended by the focused changes, do you consider it necessary to participate in the oral part of the examination?**

No, I do not wish to participate in the oral examination

Yes, I would like to participate in the oral examination

**9. If you wish to participate in the oral part of the examination please outline why you consider that to be necessary.** Please note that the Inspector determines who is heard at the examination.

**10. Please outline your comments on the Supplement to the Sustainability Appraisal or Addendum to the Habitats Regulations Assessment.** Comments are not confined to 'soundness' issues, but respondents can express their opinions on the above documents and use it as a reference point on the 'soundness' of the Local Plan.

**11. Do you wish to be notified of any of the following?** *Please tick all that apply. We will contact you using the details you have given above.*

- That the Local Plan Part 1, as amended by the Focused Changes, has been submitted for independent examination
- The publication of the recommendations of any person appointed to carry out an independent examination of the Local Plan Part 1
- The adoption of the Local Plan Part 1.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*If submitting the form electronically, no signature is required.*

### **Gill Smith CON/16/7 – missing text Question 6**

Dorset County Council notes the increase in housing identified in this change.

However, it should be noted that the Library service is already undersized (for the population) and not "fit for future" population pressures. Any increase in the town's population will have an impact on provision of library services and the following considerations must be made when there is an increase in population:

- a) longer opening hours for the current library to enable more people to use the facility;
- b) increased books and other stock and public access computers;
- c) extended provision of access to e-books and e-resources, offering virtual access. This will be reliant on a good broadband service to the area;
- d) increased usage will increase the frequency of the need to refurbish the library;
- e) the need to replace the library (it is not possible to extend in Blandford.)

The above factors will require additional resources to provide these services/facilities for a larger population. The expectation is that this will be accounted for in the Infrastructure Delivery Plan and included in the Community Infrastructure Levy.