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Q1: Personal Details

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Q2: Agent Details (if applicable) - All correspondence will be sent to the agent.

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Q3: 1. Please select the document you are commenting on:

North Dorset Local Plan 2011 to 2026 Part 1 (please complete Questions 2 to 9)

Q4: 2. To which part of the above document does your representation relate?

Policy/site Policy 18

Q5: 3. Do you consider the Local Plan to be legally compliant and prepared in accordance with the Duty to Cooperate, legal and procedural requirements?

Yes

Q6: 4. Do you consider the Local Plan to be 'sound'?

Yes

Q7: 5. If you consider the Local Plan to be unsound please specify your reason(s) by ticking the box(es) that apply below

Respondent skipped this question

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Q8: 6. Please give specific details of why you consider the Local Plan 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.

Comments on Policy 18 SHAFTESBURY

Sustainable Development Strategy. I do not consider that Shaftesbury should support Gillingham. The two towns have characters and features of their own.

Meeting Housing Needs. Of the three development sites (f) and (g) have been previously identified for this purpose, but site (h) 'to the west of the A.350....' although present in the earlier drafts (2010 and 2012) is, in my mind, completely impossible. I wrote in answer to the consultation in 2010 to this effect. The site is distant from the town centre, it is dangerous to walk there along the main road, it is not served by public transport, and most especially the site is designated an AONB.

Regeneration of land to the east of existing town centre. There are several ideas being considered at present for this area. Townspeople and organisations need to have time to draw the ideas together. This should be understood and allowed by the authority.

Infrastructure. It is encouraging to read this section as it indicates that the town may benefit from features long wished for. Taking the points in order, my comments are:

Grey

l. We have been waiting for the new link road for ages. The sooner the better.
m. Walking and cycling from houses in development to the east of the town is all very good, but not for young mothers who have to take their children with them when they do their shopping. The weather in Shaftesbury is most inclement and a better solution would be to provide transport by bus.

Social

n. New Community Hall. Good - but where? Several sites outlined in the 2007 feasibility study have been used in other ways.

o. A new primary school. Good - but where?

p. New surgery. Once again, land use is the question. The present building is has little spare land other than that used for parking. Relocation would need a large site.

Green

q. Agreed.

Comment: I would hope that before committing land to being used for building the 1,140 houses such decision could be delayed until sites are agreed for these items of infrastructure.

Q9: 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.

This updated draft of the NDDC Local Plan 2011 - 2026 needs to take into account of legislation which has come into being since the earlier (2010 and 2012) drafts were issued. These are (1) the implementation of the Localism Act (November 2011) at present being addressed by Shaftesbury, Melbury Abbas & Cann Neighbourhood Plan Group, and (2) The National Policy Framework (March 2012).

Q10: 8. If your representation is seeking a change, 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

Q11: 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.

Respondent skipped this question

Q12: 10. Please outline your comments on the Final Sustainability Appraisal Report or 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.

Respondent skipped this question

Q13: 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 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.

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