Building a Better Future Plan - Representation Form

Part A - Personal Details

Please indicate whether you are completing this form yourself or if you are an agent completing this on behalf of a client

I am completing this form myself

Part A - Personal Details (Completing form on own behalf)

Please provide the following personal details.
Please note that these details are required for all representations and your information will be shared with the Planning Inspectorate.
The personal data you provide will be used to ensure that representations comply with government guidance and that they can be used as part of the Local Plan examination process. More information on how we use your personal information can be found as part of the 'Planning Policy' privacy notice is available here.

Title	Mr
First Name	Eric
Last Name	Coulton
[redacted]	

Please provide the following details where applicable and/or relevant

[redacted]

Part A - Personal Details (Agent on client's behalf)

If an agent is appointed, please provide the following information:
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No Response

Please provide the following information about the client for whom you are completing this form on their behalf

No Response

Part B - Your representation(s)

Which part of the Building a Better Future Plan does your representation relate to?
Please provide as much detail as possible.
If you wish to make a change to the Policies Map, please comment on the corresponding policy, and explain what change you would wish to make. If you would be helpful if you could show this in visual form
A full list of policies and allocations can be found in the contents page(s) of the Publication Plan - you can access this document here.

Policy Number	6
Allocation Number	3
Paragraph Number	-
Page Number	98

Do you consider the Local Plan is ...
(Please select as appropriate)

	Yes	No
Legally compliant	X	
Sound		X

Please give details of why you consider the Building a Better Plan is not legally compliant or is unsound. Please be as precise as possible.
If you wish to support the legal compliance or soundness of the Local Plan, please also use this box to set out your comments.

See my attached letter

Please set out the modification(s) you consider necessary to make the Local Plan legally compliant and sound, in respect of any legal compliance or soundness matters you have identified above.
You will need to say why each modification will make the Local Plan legally compliant or sound. It will be helpful if you are able to put forward your suggested revised wording of any policy or text. Please be as precise as possible.

See my attached letter

If you wish to upload any documents to support your representation, please do so below. Please note that there is a maximum file size of 50MB and you can upload a maximum of 10 files to include with your form.

- File: 2028-08-31 Horsefield Site Appeal.docx - Download

Examination Hearing Session Invitation

If your representation / representations are seeking a modification to the plan, do you consi der it necessary to participate in examination hearing session(s)?
Please note that while this will provide an initial indication of your wish to participate in exa mination hearing session(s), you may be asked at a later point to confirm your request to p articipate.
No details on the examination hearing session(s) have yet been determined and will be ma de available upon the submission of the Building a Better Future Plan to the Planning Inspe ctorate.

No, I do not wish to participate in examination hearing session(s)

Examination Hearing Session Invitation (2)

You indicated that you wish to participate in the examination hearing session(s). Please out line why you consider this to be necessary.
Please note the Inspector will determine the most appropriate procedure to adopt to hear th ose who have indicated that they wish to participate in examination hearing session(s). Yo u may be asked to confirm your wish to participate when the Inspector has identified the m atters and issues for examination.

No Response

Future Notification

Do you wish to be notified of any of the following milestones in the Building a Better Future Plan process?
These milestones include:

The Local Plan has been submitted for examination
The publication on the Inspector's Report
The adoption of the Local Plan

If you indicate that you wish to be notified, the email address you provided in Part A of the f orm will be used by the Council to notify you of these milestones.

Yes, I wish to be notified

Eric R. Coulton



31 August 2026

I note on your *Building a Better Future Plan* that you consider the Plan 'sound'. However, having looked at it and also read information on the National Landscapes Association's website, the plan does not appear 'sound' at all in certain elements. It seems clear that both Havant and the nation have a responsibility to conserve Protected Landscapes for future generations. Whilst accepting the Government's aspiration to build 1.5 million homes over the next five years, there are other less iconic and fragile areas to build than Chichester Harbour.

Your Plan appears unsound in a least two respects:

1. **Allocation 3: Land south of Havant Road (Horse's Field)**
   It seems **very unsound** for you to list all the Key Features of the site, including being with the Chichester Harbour National Landscape, being adjacent to the Solent Wader and Brent Goose Strategy sites, having trees within and near the site under Tree Preservation Orders and being aware of the high archaeological potential for the presence of peripheral elements of the Warblington Villa complex located immediately to the west, and then to offer the site to developers (who will not be objective in their aims) to consider erecting housing on this field.
2. **Policy 30: Nationally Protected Landscapes**
   As you clearly lay out here the need for Protected Landscapes it seems disingenuous – and **unsound** – for you to then offer such a sensitive site for housing development. There are other areas within your boundaries where 90 houses could be erected without damage to this fragile landscape.

The National Landscapes Association's response in 2024 to government proposals was that *Development in National Landscapes should be balanced with a recognition of the wider benefits to society they provide. The UK's iconic Protected Landscapes need to remain protected – it would be appropriate to strengthen their protection for all the benefits they provide the nation.*

Instead of strengthening this protection you appear in **very unsound ways** to be weakening that protection for short-term gains. I urge you to review your Plan and remove the Horsefield Site from the document.

[redacted] already the peace and beauty of the Chichester Harbour area has greatly enhanced my own physical and mental wellbeing. That will be true for many others as well. Don't throw away our children's heritage.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours,

Eric R Coulton