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	Colin
Last Name	Cruickshank

[redacted]

Please provide the following details where applicable and/or relevant
No Response

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

If an agent is appointed, please provide the following information: 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.
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 p olicy, 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	-
Allocation Number	2
Paragraph Number	-
Page Number	95-97

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 o r 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.

1. The plan relies on transport improvements which are not required by the plan.
I object to Allocation 2 because the plan is not effective in that the Council's Sustainability Appraisal states that sustainable transport improvements must be provided for this site to be acceptable. Unfortunately, the allocation only requires the developer to 'explore opportunities' for improved transport links. So, in reality, nothing will be delivered, as in the case of the Redlands Lane Development, where we were promised a Doctor’s surgery, which never happened.
It currently takes about 30 minutes to walk to the shops in the centre of Emsworth and this will no doubt take longer from the most north easterly part of the site. Most people do not have the time for an hour or more, buses in this area are few and far between and come no further north than Southleigh Road, so people will, in most cases, take a car which goes against the ethos of a sustainable plan.
The plan therefore cannot be delivered on the basis on which it was assessed, and should be found unsound unless these requirements are made binding.
Legally compliant — Yes · Sound — No

2. Bechstein’s bats, a protected species are present on the site
I object to Allocation 2 on ecological grounds. The Council has recorded evidence of Bechstein’s bats being present on the proposed site, yet the allocation describes them only as potentially present. Before any approval of this site is contemplated there needs to be a further in depth study. I think previous planning applications have mentioned the provision of bat corridors but I feel this is just a way of getting round the problem of a protected species being present. I suspect the bats will disappear if the site comes to fruition.
The site should be removed from the plan In order to protect this species.
Legally compliant — No (Habitats Regulations point) · Sound — No

3. This site is unsuitable, shown by the failure of a previous application
The plan to build of this site has been around for about 10 years. A previous planning application for 210 homes sat in limbo for a number of years before being withdrawn in 2025.
The plan to now allocate the site for 325 houses makes the situation even more unsustainable. The road outside our house is single width meaning even today cars regularly have to stop and reverse to let other cars past. The increase of say another 500 cars to a country lane is madness.
Legally compliant — Yes · Sound — No

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.

Remove Allocation 2 (Land north of Long Copse Lane) from the Plan

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.

No Response

Examination Hearing Session Invitation

If your representation / representations are seeking a modification to the plan, do you consider 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 examination hearing session(s), you may be asked at a later point to confirm your request to participate.
No details on the examination hearing session(s) have yet been determined and will be made available upon the submission of the Building a Better Future Plan to the Planning Inspectorate.

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 outline why you consider this to be necessary.
Please note the Inspector will determine the most appropriate procedure to adopt to hear those who have indicated that they wish to participate in examination hearing session(s). You may be asked to confirm your wish to participate when the Inspector has identified the matters 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 form will be used by the Council to notify you of these milestones.

Yes, I wish to be notified