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	David
Last Name	Cockerill

[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:
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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 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.

I object to Allocation 2 (land north of Long Copse Lane) because the plan is unsound and ineffective.
The Council's own Sustainability Appraisal says sustainable transport improvements must be provided for this site to be acceptable. However, the policy only asks developers to "explore opportunities" for them, which secures nothing.
Because the plan relies on infrastructure that isn't actually guaranteed, it cannot be delivered as assessed.
I also object to Allocation 2 because of sewage and drainage issues.
New homes here would drain to Thornham treatment works, which the Council's own consultant says has very limited capacity and is "environmentally constrained."
While funding to expand it has been confirmed for Chichester, no such funding exists for Havant's sites in Emsworth. This one allocation could use up all the remaining capacity, risking environmental damage.
I object to Allocation 2 because it threatens Chichester Harbour's pollution limits.
Chichester Harbour is already overloaded with nitrogen and phosphorus, meaning new homes must prove they add zero extra pollution. This single site would take up a massive chunk of the remaining allowance, especially at a time when effective mitigation is least certain.
Solution: The plan cannot be found sound until secure, guaranteed pollution mitigation is in place.
I object to Allocation 2 because it ignores the risk to rare protected bats.
Bechstein's bats—one of Britain's rarest, strictly protected species—have been recorded on and around this site in the Council's own evidence. Yet, the plan downgrades this to bats being only "potentially" present and includes no proper bat assessment for the site.
I object to Allocation 2 because it damages the landscape next to the National Park.
The site sits right below the South Downs National Park and received one of the worst landscape scores of any allocated site in the Council's appraisal. A 2015 study commissioned by the Council concluded this land had zero capacity to absorb development and should not be built on—yet that study has mysteriously vanished from the current evidence base.
I object to Allocation 2 because this site has already failed before.
This is not a new idea. The land was allocated in the Council's previous, withdrawn plan, and a past application for about 210 homes sat stuck for nearly four years before being withdrawn in 2025. Right now, no developer is even signed up to build it. In fact, the Council's own assessment admits it is only "developable," not actually "deliverable."

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.

On transport issues any developer must provide transport improvements, it is not enough to explore the opportunities.
Funding must be provided for expanding the Thornham treatment works.
The Bechstein Bats, which are present on the site, must be protected by the developer.
The 2015 study commissioned by the council should be included in the evidence base.
The site north of Long Copse Lane is clearly unsuitable and should be removed 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 f orm will be used by the Council to notify you of these milestones.

Yes, I wish to be notified