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	Ms
First Name	Lulu
Last Name	Bowerman

[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	30
Allocation Number	EM08a
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.

It is extraordinary that Havant Borough Council claim that this emerging Local Plan is one ‘with vision, direction and clear understanding of the issues that matter most to the Borough, it’s residents, businesses and its natural environment’ and then includes Site EM08a known as the Horsefield’ on the south side of Havant Road, Emsworth. This land is part of the Chichester Harbour National Landscape which means it can not be ‘allocated’ without demonstrating exceptional circumstances as required by the National Planning Policy for major development. This test does not appear to have been done and yet the allocation of this site has been included in this Plan. 90 houses constitutes a major development that would set a precedent for development elsewhere on the south side of the A259 within the designated Chichester Harbour National Landscape and close to 3 SINCs, archaeological remains etc
It is difficult to believe that discussions or agreement was reached with planning officers from HBC and Chichester Harbour Conservancy regarding The Horsefield site (EM08a) inclusion. This is a greenfield site which surely is part of Havant Borough Council’s ‘ natural environment’ as claimed to be one of the issues that matter most to the Borough in their introduction to their Local Plan.

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.

The Horsefield, site EM08a should be removed from the Local Plan in order to comply with strict regulations of Chichester Harbour National Landscape policy which have previously always been respected by Havant Borough Council despite constant pressure from the landowner for this land to be included in the Local Plan. This is not a brownfield site, so much desired for house building by Havant Borough Council but agricultural grazing land much loved and valued by local residents and an important part of the 'psyche'of the entire Emsworth community.
90 houses on this greenfield site would constitute the single largest development in Chichester Harbour National Landscape since the Area of Natural Beauty was designated in 1964.
I understand that Allocation 3 was not part of the consultation document from 6 May - 1 July 2025 and therefore it has not had sufficient public consultation or scrutiny. Havant Borough Council does not appear to have applied 'great weight' to the value of the National Landscape and discussions and agreement have not taken place with officers of Chichester Harbour Conservancy.
These points must surely raise the question of whether Allocation 3 is lawful and sound and also the EM08a inclusion in the Local Plan being unsound and unlawful. Therefore it should be removed.

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.

Yes, I 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.

My reasons are contained in my previous responses regarding whether Policy 30 is sound with regards to the Chichester Harbour National Landscape and lawful. This also applies to site EM08a

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