

West Berkshire Local Plan Review 2022-2039 (LPR) Consultation on Proposed Main Modifications (6 December 2024 – 31 January 2025)

Representation Form

Ref:

(For official use only)

Please complete and	By email:
return this	By post: Planning Policy, Development and Housing, Council Offices,
form:	Market Street, Newbury, RG14 5LD
Return by:	11:59pm on Friday 31 January 2025

Please read the **Guidance Note**, available on the Council's website https://www.westberks.gov.uk/lpr-proposed-main-modifications, before making your representations.

This form has two parts:

PART A - Your details

PART B – Your representation(s)

Please complete a new form for each representation you wish to make.

PART A: Your details Please note the following: We cannot register your representation without your details. Representations cannot be kept confidential and will be available for public scrutiny, however, your contact details will not be published. 1. Your details 2. Agent's details (if applicable) Title Mr First Name* lan Bell Last Name* Job title (where relevant) Organisation Home owner (where relevant) Address* Please include postcode Email address* Telephone number Consultee ID (if known)

^{*}Mandatory Field

PART B - Your representation(s)

All comments made at previous stages of the LPR have been taken into account by the Inspector and there is no need to resubmit these. Publication of the proposed Main Modifications is a regulatory stage and any representations made should relate specifically to the legal compliance and soundness of the proposed Main Modifications and should not relate to parts of the Plan that are not proposed to be modified.

Please note your representation should cover succinctly all the information, evidence and supporting information necessary to support/justify the representation and the suggested change.

Your name or organisation	None.
(and client if you are an	
agent):	

Proposed Main Modifications and Proposed Changes to the Policies Map

1. Please indicate whether your representation relates to the Schedule of Proposed Main Modifications or the Schedule of Proposed Changes to the Policies Map and provide the modification/change number you are commenting on below:

Document name	Proposal for Pincents Lane Development	
Modification/Change reference number (MM / PMC)	MM45/TIL13	

2.	. Do you consider the Proposed Main Modification or Proposed Policy Map	Change to be
(p	please tick/mark 'X' one answer for a and one for b)	

a) Legally compliant	Yes	No X
b) Sound	Yes	No X

Please refer to the guidance notes for a full explanation of 'legally compliant' and 'soundness'

If you consider the Proposed Main Modification or Proposed Policy Map Change not to be sound, please identify which test of soundness your representation relates to: (please tick/mark 'X' all that apply)

Positively Prepared: The LPR should be prepared based on a strategy which seeks to		
meet objectively assessed development and infrastructure requirements.		
Justified: the LPR should be the most appropriate strategy, when considered against	Х	
the reasonable alternatives		
Effective: the LPR should be deliverable		
Consistent with national policy: the LPR should enable the delivery of sustainable development in accordance with the policies of the NPPF		

3. If you have answered 'No' to question 2a or 2b above, please provide details of why you consider the Proposed Main Modification or Proposed Policy Map Change is not legally compliant or is unsound, including any changes you consider necessary to make the Plan legally compliant or sound.

You will need to say why this change will make the Local Plan Review 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.

Mainly Unsound: -

The area includes a narrow lane (Pincents Lane) and a congested mini roundabout at Sainsbury's junction with the A4 Bath Road, both locations are not suitable for the extra traffic the new dewellings will bring, the infrastructure potential on the roads isn't there. Congestion at the A4/Sainsbury's junction is often gridlocked at weekends when the stores (Ikea, Sainsburys, Dunelm) are open.

Schools/Doctors are not coping now before we have the extra dwellings, as an NHS worker, the additional housing and demographic of adults and children will put an overload on the infrastructure for these key education and health services.

Flooding is a risk for the lower part of Calcot by the A4, to remove the flora and forna from Pincents Lane will exacerbate the risk of flooding at the M4/Sainsburys Junction and adjoining roads.

The new development South of the A4 wedged with the M4 heading towards London has increased the congestion, demand for the services within the area, to add another 138 dwellings will tip the area into London/Reading style congestion and failing facilities due to excess demand. The are can't take anymore development.

Sustainability Appraisal/Strategic Environmental Assessment (SA/SEA)

4. Do you have any comments on the updated Sustainability Appraisal/Strategic Environmental Assessment Report – Proposed Main Modifications (November 2024)? (Please be as precise as possible)

Page number				
Paragraph number				
Comments:	•			
See above.				

Habitats Regulations Assessment

5. Do you have any comments on the addendum to the Habitats Regulations Assessment of the Proposed Main Modifications (November 2024)?

(Please be as precise as possible)

Page number		
Paragraph number		
Comments:		

I think the habitats of the UK, let alone Calcot is the last concern of this current Government, they just want to build, build!

I have two young adults (30 & 25yrs) struggling to find homes to buy because of Builder greed and not enough 2/3 bedroomed housing available at affordable prices.

The problem is systemic, the housing market is not sustainable anymore, prices are too high. West Berkshire Council have a duty to protect Green Spaces, Boundary Land between Tilehurst/Calcot and the constituents they represent in the area. Therefore, just because we are on the Eastern edge of they area, think logically on this application.

Notification of Progress of the Local Plan Review

6. Do you wish to be notified of any of the following? (please tick/mark 'X' all that apply)

The publication of the report of the Inspector appointed to carry out the examination	х
The adoption of the Local Plan Review	x

Please ensure that we have either an up-to-date email address or postal address at which we can contact you. You can amend your contact details by logging onto your account on the Local Plan Consultation Portal or by contacting the Planning Policy Team.

Signature	lan Bell	Date	31 st January 2025
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Your completed representations must be received by the Council by 11:59pm on Friday 31 January 2025.

Please note - Personal/Contact Details

All submitted representations will be made publicly available, including on the Council's website, with the person/organisation making the representation being identified. A copy of

all submitted representations will also be made available to the Planning Inspectorate and the person appointed by the Secretary of State to conduct the examination.

To ensure an effective and fair examination, it is important that the Inspector and all other participants in the examination process are able to know who has made representations on the LPR. The Council therefore cannot accept anonymous representations – you must provide us with your name and contact details. Address details will not be made publicly available. All personal data will be handled in line with the Council's Privacy Policy on the Development Plan. You can view the Council's privacy notices at http://info.westberks.gov.uk/privacynotices.

The Council will also need to make sure that the names and full addresses of those making representations can be made available and taken into account by the Inspector. By submitting a representation, you confirm that you agree to this and accept responsibility for your comments. The Planning Inspectorate's privacy statement for local plan examinations is available at https://www.gov.uk/guidance/local-plans#plans-privacy-statement.