



Consultation on the Hungerford Neighbourhood Development Plan (Regulation 16 Consultation)

Representation Form

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Please complete online or return this form to:	By email: planningpolicy@westberks.gov.uk
	By post: Planning Policy Team, Development and Housing, West Berkshire Council, Council Offices, Market Street, Newbury, RG14 5LD
Return by:	11:59pm on Friday 23 May 2025

This form has three parts:

- Part A - Your details: need only be completed once
- Part B - Your representation(s): please fill in a separate sheet for each representation you wish to make
- Part C - Notification of progress of the Hungerford Neighbourhood Development Plan

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cannot be kept confidential and will be available for public scrutiny, however, your contact details will not be published.
- 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>

	Your details	Agent's details (if applicable)
Title:	Mrs	
First Name:*	Charlotte	
Last Name:*	Cundy	
Job title (where relevant):		
Organisation (where relevant):		
Address* Please include postcode:		
Email address:*		
Telephone number:		

****Mandatory field***

Part B – Your Representation***Please use a separate sheet for each representation***

Your name or organisation (and client if you are an agent):	
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Please indicate which part of the consultation documents that this representation relates to:

Policy:	Hungerford Neighbourhood plan
Section/paragraph:	
Appendix:	

Comments

I think that the neighbourhood plan requires a public hearing due to the impacts on the town and because comments previously raised at consultation stage have not been sufficiently addressed.

I am concerned about the suitability of Church Street and Smitham Bridge Road for increased traffic. Due to cars parked on Church St (primarily residents) there is often a build up of traffic and it is difficult to see if the road ahead is clear to pass. Cars often find themselves having to reverse and this will be significantly worse with increased traffic. The proposed entry point for the new housing is a single track road. This has not been sufficiently addressed in the plan, and traffic measures are only mentioned in relation to the build phase and not for afterwards.

There is also an industrial estate on Smitham Bridge Road which is increasingly busy with large lorries and further traffic will exacerbate this.

On an environmental impact this site was scored as highest impact, with the site on the SALISBURY ROAD scoring lowest impact. The documents are deliberately misleading on this point by omitting totals.

There is a history of flooding on the fields behind Smitham Bridge with some areas remaining under water for large periods of the autumn and winter. I don't feel this has been adequately addressed.

I think some of the 'gateways' into Hungerford are misleading. The North Standen Road approach (coming down from Froxfield) is very much a country route. It's single track and very rural, and I don't think it should be counted as a 'gateway' when considering access to the proposed housing on the land at Smitham Bridge Road. Realistically that is not how vehicles will approach - it will be coming up from Hungerford town centre. There was an incident last year where due to a road closure at a busy time (just as the workers were finishing at the industrial estate), a number of people were using this 'gateway'. This resulted in a huge tailback and a driver having to be towed as their car had got stuck on a verge.

We are aware that the land owner of the allotment site and the developer are using the allotments as a bargaining tool to obtain planning permission surly this should not be the case it should be judged on its merits not on profitability. This feels like a plan that benefits a few rather than truly looking at what would benefit the town as a whole.

PART C – Notification of progress of the Hungerford NDP

Do you wish to be notified of any of the following?

Please tick all that apply

Publication of the Examiners report / Decision to progress to referendum	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Decision to adopt the Hungerford NDP	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Signature	Charlotte Cundy	Date	22/5/25
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Your completed representations must be received by the Council by 11:59pm on Friday 23 May 2025.