

**Borough Council of King's Lynn
and West Norfolk Local Plan
2021-2039**



Representation Form

Consultation on additional evidence base documents, September 2023

Closing date for submitting representations: **11:59pm, Friday, 20th October 2023**

Part A

Section 1: Personal Details

Title:	Miss
First Name:	Susan
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Address:	[REDACTED]
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Section 2: Agent Details (if applicable)

Please supply the details below of any agent you have working on your behalf.

Agent name:	
Address:	
Postcode:	
Telephone number:	
Email:	

Part B

Please fill in a separate form for each document

Section 3: Representations

Which Document are you responding on?

Examination Library ref	Document name	Paragraph No(s)
F51	West Winch Topic Paper	

Summary of Comments:

Please be as precise as possible as to why you support or object to the evidence and/or any suggested main modifications to the Plan contained in the document, providing the relevant paragraph and/or policy number for each point.

OBJECTION to Major Modification regarding West Winch Policy E.1.2 – the idea that major development should take place prior to the building and completion of the West Winch Housing Access Road.

1. Traffic Congestion. At present traffic on the A10 is not at a tolerable level with residents' struggling to access the A10 from Chapel Lane and Long Lane on a weekday. If 300 homes were built opposite The Winch without the 'bypass' then this would increase the traffic to a position whereby it is both unsustainable and dangerous. Friends' who live on Main Road have already shifted their hours of work from 0800 to 0730 to ensure they can gain access to the A10 going into Lynn – otherwise they were not able to get to work on time as the traffic was so heavy. If the extra 300 homes are built with no bypass then what time will they have to leave?
2. Dangerous road conditions for pedestrians – including primary school children. School children attending West Winch Primary currently cycle and walk along the A10 to get to school. There is presently a danger due to narrow pavements in certain parts of this walk but with the increased traffic this danger would increase. Therefore parents' will take their children by car to school which again increases traffic.
3. The traffic modelling does not reflect either (a) the current experience of residents'; (b) the implications of the school run – both at present and with the increased children coming from the 300 houses; (c) does not take into account holiday time – with the knock on of congestion onto the Hardwick Roundabout and the A149 route to Sandringham and the coast. The A10 is the major route to Kings Lynn port and industrial areas for HGV's from the south. If there is increased congestion then they will seek alternative routes – along even smaller villages like North Runcton. Not only will this endanger the residents' there but will increase the damage to the roads. Look at the constant work that has to be done on the A10 to fill in potholes that cause damage and are dangerous to driving. This

will be exacerbated without the housing access road – especially as you will also have the construction traffic using the A10.

4. The impact of pollution. With a huge increase in traffic volume comes the increased risk of the hazards of air pollution and the increased risk of asthma attacks especially amongst the young and old. The dreadful case of the 7 year old Ella Kissi Debrah in South East London who died of air pollution should be a salutary reminder to councils everywhere (if not developers) that the impact of heavy traffic can be deadly. Walking along the A10 at the moment is already an unpleasant experience for anyone with breathing difficulties.
5. Funding – as I understand it the developers’ have not yet succeeded in acquiring government funding for the bypass. Therefore what guarantee do West Winch residents’ have that the bypass will be built if the housing is given the go ahead first?

I gather the Planning Inspectorate is due to return shortly to examine the local plan. I would say that at present the car-dependent development is unsustainable as it would create a worsening of highways safety and exceptionally heavy traffic to West Winch. The West Winch Housing Access Road must be fully built before ANY houses are built.

(Continue on a separate sheet if necessary.)

Please note you should cover succinctly all the information, evidence and supporting information necessary to support/justify your comments.

Section 4: Examination Hearings

This consultation may be followed by further Examination Hearing sessions, at the discretion of the Planning Inspectors. Do you consider it necessary to participate in Examination Hearing sessions? (Please select one answer)

No, I do not wish to participate at the Examination Hearing

Yes, I wish to participate at the examination hearing

Section 5: Data Protection

Do you wish to be notified further about the Local Plan Examination process, at any of the following stages?

Schedule of Main Modifications stage (following hearings)	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Publication of Inspector’s Report	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Adoption of Local Plan	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

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When you give consent for us to process data, you have the right to withdraw that consent at any time. If you wish to withdraw your consent, you must notify us at lpr@west-norfolk.gov.uk or 01553 616200.

Section 6: Signature and Date of Representation

Please sign and date below:	
Signature: (electronic signatures are acceptable)	S A SMITH
Date:	19 October 2023

Please note that, to be considered, your representation will need to be received by **11:59pm on Friday, 20th October 2023.**