

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

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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:	
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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)
2016-2306	Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004. West Norfolk Local Plan Review	

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.

West Norfolk Local Plan Review 2016 -2306

Congham Parish council writes to express its concerns with respect to the Local Plan Review additional evidence base documents as follows:

West Winch

Traffic Infrastructure remains a considerable concern.

Seasonal holiday traffic completely overburdens the road network.

Serious road traffic accidents happen with depressing frequency at ALL times of the year and the result is gridlock throughout King's Lynn and severe delays along all roads which feed into the Hardwick Complex. The consequence is that of rat running though villages, which severely impacts the road network servicing Congham Village.

We believe that the proposals, which may alleviate the distress for West Winch residents by means of the access road, do little to address the impact of the requirements of an additional 4000 or so homes destined for West Winch.

This is, in a significant part, down to insufficient attention to modal shift and mixed mode transport opportunities. Improved access to the rail network is not adequately addressed. Improved bus services (including better interchange timetables) and links (especially to railway stations, employment areas and shopping centres) are not in sufficient detail to inspire confidence that they will make a difference. There is no commitment to the provision of bus hubs, other than in Hunstanton, for example.

Active travel infrastructure is piecemeal and, in many cases, vague. For example, the King's Lynn Cycling and Walking Infrastructure plan alludes to the West Winch "future corridor" but existing outline planning applications are oblivious to this proposal for which there is clearly not the certainty provided by the access road proposals.

Herein lies the knob of the West Winch masterplan which is entrenched in a 20th Century car centric ethos that does not take account of Active Travel England's "Gear Change" commitment

that half of all journeys in towns are cycled or walked or for that matter ensuring that cyclists are adequately separated from pedestrians and motor vehicles.

Committing to more motor vehicle capacity merely exacerbates the problems that King's Lynn and environs are already suffering. Modal shift is the BEST solution to further reducing the areas traffic and air pollution woes.

Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG)

We note that planning applications already submitted as part of the West Winch Growth Area do not need to comply with the forthcoming 10% BNG statutory requirement. We therefore request that the Local Plan Review commits to a 10% or greater across the whole of the masterplan area therefore ensuring developments post adoption remediate the initial loss.

(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)	Clerk, Congham Parish Council.
Date:	20 th October 2023

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