

# Part A

## The Tests of Soundness

The Independent Inspector's role is to assess whether the plan has been prepared in accordance with the Duty to Cooperate, legal and procedural requirements, and whether it is sound. The tests to consider whether the plan is 'sound' are explained under paragraph 182 of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) (March 2012) and states a sound Core Strategy should be:

### **Positively prepared**

- the plan should be prepared based on a strategy which seeks to meet objectively assessed development and infrastructure requirements, including unmet requirements from neighbouring authorities where it is reasonable to do so and consistent with achieving sustainable development;

### **Justified**

- the plan should be the most appropriate strategy, when considered against the reasonable alternatives, based on proportionate evidence;

### **Effective**

- the plan should be deliverable over its period and based on effective joint working on cross-boundary strategic priorities; and

### **Consistent with national policy**

- the plan should enable the delivery of sustainable development in accordance with the policies in the Framework.

## **Contact Details** (only complete once)

Please provide contact details and agent details, if appointed.

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**It will be helpful if you can provide an email address so we can contact you electronically.**

**You only need to complete this page once. If you wish to make more than one representation, attach additional copies of Part B (pages 3-4) to this part of the representation form.**

**Part B** (please use a separate sheet (pages 3-4) for each representation)

Please identify the Proposed Change (which can be found on the Published Schedule, CD2f) to which this representation refers or paragraph number of the NPPF Compliance Statement:

PC 6.55

**Question 1: Do you consider the Proposed Change is:**

1.1 Legally compliant  Yes  No

1.2 Sound  Yes  No

If you have entered No to 1.2, please continue to Q2. In all other circumstances, please go to Q3.

**Question 2: If you consider the Proposed Change is unsound, please identify which test of soundness your representation relates to:**

- 2.1 Positively Prepared (Please identify just one test for this representation.)
- 2.2 Justified
- 2.3 Effective
- 2.4 Consistent with national policy

**Question 3: Please give details of why you consider the Proposed Change is not legally compliant or is unsound and provide details of what change(s) you consider necessary to make the Proposed Change to the Submission Draft Core Strategy legally compliant or sound.**

We consider PC 6.55 is legally compliant and sound and welcome the inclusion of this text into the Core Strategy.

Continue overleaf

Question 3 continued

[Empty box for Question 3 response]

(Continue on a separate sheet if submitting a hard copy)

**Question 4: Can your representation seeking a change be considered by written representations, or do you consider it necessary to participate at the oral part of the examination?**

**4.1** Written Representations

**4.2** Attend Examination

**4.3** If you wish to participate at the oral part of the examination, please outline why you consider this to be necessary  
(Your request will be considered by the Inspector, however, attendance at the Examination in Public is by invitation only).

N/A.

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**Representation Submission Acknowledgement**

I acknowledge that I am making a formal representation. I understand that my name (and organisation where applicable) and representation will be made publically available (including on the Council's website) in order to ensure that it is a fair and transparent process.

I agree with this statement and wish to submit the above representation for consideration.

Signed

[Redacted signature box]

Dated

15 June 2012.