



**West Berkshire Local Plan Review 2022-2039**  
**Proposed Submission Representation Form**

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*(For official use only)*

Please complete online or return this form to:	<b>Online:</b> <a href="http://consult.westberks.gov.uk/kse">http://consult.westberks.gov.uk/kse</a>
	<b>By email:</b> <a href="mailto:planningpolicy@westberks.gov.uk">planningpolicy@westberks.gov.uk</a>
	<b>By post:</b> Planning Policy, Development and Regulation, Council Offices, Market Street, Newbury, RG14 5LD
<b>Return by:</b>	<b>4:30pm on Friday 3 March 2023</b>

This form has two 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 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cannot be kept confidential and will be available for public scrutiny, however, your contact details will not be published.*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 information will be sent for examination by an independent inspector*
- *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:*	Sarah	
Last Name:*	Jones	
Job title (where relevant):		
Organisation (where relevant):		
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Telephone number:	██████████	

\*Mandatory field

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

The accompanying guidance note available at: <https://www.westberks.gov.uk/lpr-proposed-submission-consultation> will assist you in making representations.

*Your representation should cover succinctly all the information, evidence and supporting information necessary to support/justify the representation and the suggested change(s) as there will **not normally** be a subsequent opportunity to make further representations, **further submissions will ONLY be at the request of the Inspector, based on the matters and issues they identify for examination.***

Your name or organisation (and client if you are an agent):	
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**Please indicate which part of the Local Plan Review this representation relates to:**

Section/paragraph:	West Berkshire Local Plan Review Proposed Submission (Regulation 19) Consultation
Policy:	
Appendix:	
Policies Map:	
Other:	

**1. Legally Compliant**

*Please see the guidance notes for an explanation of what 'legally compliant' means.*

**Do you consider the Local Plan Review is legally compliant?**

Yes

No

x

*Please give reasons for your answer:*

Building 1500-2500 Houses is simply not suitable for the size of Thatcham and the current infrastructure we have. The added congestion on the roads from the additional cars, would make even the shortest of journeys, much longer. Where are the jobs for the adults expecting to live in these properties. I appreciate that some jobs are WFH, but not all. Where are the school places for the children going to live at these homes? Both primary and secondary schools just don't have the space for additional pupils. Where are the additional doctor appointments for the new residents? As it is, there is a shortage of doctors appointments. I have personally experienced calling Thatcham Medical Practice to make an appointment for my son to see a doctor and they had one doctor's appointment available that day, for the whole day, for the whole of the area they cover. Are you seriously telling me we have the capacity for an additional (at a minimum) 3000 residents?

## 2. Soundness

Please see the guidance notes for an explanation of what 'soundness' means.

### Do you consider the Local Plan Review is sound?

The soundness of the LPR should be assessed against the following criteria from the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)

Please tick all that apply:

NPPF criteria	Yes	No
<b>Positively Prepared:</b> The plan provides a strategy which, as a minimum, seeks to meet the area's objectively assessed need and is informed by agreements with other authorities, so that unmet need from neighbouring areas is accommodated where practical to do so and is consistent with achieving sustainable development		<b>x</b>
<b>Justified:</b> the plan is an appropriate strategy, taking into account the reasonable alternatives, and based on proportionate evidence		<b>x</b>
<b>Effective:</b> the plan is deliverable over the plan period and based on effective joint working on cross-boundary strategic matters that have been dealt with rather than deferred, as evidenced by the statement of common ground		<b>x</b>
<b>Consistent with national policy:</b> the plan should enable the delivery of sustainable development in accordance with the policies of the NPPF		<b>x</b>

Please give reasons for your answer:

I do not believe that this proposal has taken into account the environmental impact and the infrastructure impact this huge development will have.

## 3. Complies with the Duty to Co-operate

Please see the guidance note for an explanation of what 'Duty to Cooperate' means.

### Do you consider the Local Plan Review complies with the Duty to Co-operate?

Yes

No

Please give reasons for your answer:

**4. Proposed Changes**

**Please set out what change(s) you consider necessary to make the Local Plan Review legally compliant or sound, having regard to the tests you have identified above (Please note that non-compliance with the duty to co-operate is incapable of modification at examination).**

*You will need to say why this change will make the LPR 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.*

I believe there needs to be a huge change to the number of houses built, this needs to be reduced massively. I also think that another secondary school will be needed and a doctor’s surgery, as there simply isn’t the capacity with the current provisions we have.

**5. Independent Examination**

**If your representation is seeking a change, do you consider it necessary to participate at the examination hearing session(s)?**

Yes  No

*If you wish to participate at the oral part of the examination, please outline why you consider this to be necessary:*

*Please note the Inspector will determine the most appropriate procedure to adopt to hear those who have indicated that they wish to participate at the oral part of the examination.*

**6. Notification of Progress of the Local Plan Review**

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

*Please tick all that apply:*

*Tick*

The submission of the Local Plan Review for Independent Examination	✓
The publication of the report of the Inspector appointed to carry out the examination	✓
The adoption of the Local Plan Review	✓

*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.*

<b>Signature</b>	<b>Sarah Jones</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>14/02/23</b>
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**Your completed representations must be received by the Council by 4:30pm on Friday 3 March 2023.**