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Q1 Do you consider the Local Plan is Legally Compliant?	No
Q2 Do you consider the Local Plan is Sound (positively prepared, effective and Justified)	No
If your comment(s) relate to a specific site within a core policy please select this from the drop down list.	N/A

Q4 Please give details of why you consider the Local Plan is not legally compliant or is unsound or fails to comply with the duty to co-operate. Please be as precise as possible. If you wish to support the legal compliance or soundness of the Local Plan or its compliance with the duty to co-operate, please also use this box to set out your comments.

I am writing with regards to the Green Belt Review, with particular reference to Land Parcel 9 in Wootton. > I object strongly about any Green Belt land having its status changed, as development is then sure to follow, and the laws are there to permanently protect our landscape and countryside. Landowners and developers will always have financial profit in mind, and not the landscape itself, which always suffers. I am not confident in the Government's calculations for houses needed, and believe actual demand should lead the way to houses being supplied, rather than inaccurate forecasts. Brownfield and less significant areas should be looked at much more closely, with close attention paid to local knowledge and circumstances - filling in an area on an abstract map is not often the most practical and optimum solution. > Land Parcel 9 in Wootton is beautiful open countryside that backs onto several houses in the village, with very limited access, and has a rural feel to it. Narrow, twisty roads already

pose a challenge to the volume of traffic they have, which must not be exacerbated further. Development here would seriously affect the nature of the area, which locals and visitors alike appreciate fully, and which helps to make the village of Wootton what it is today. > Our Green Belt areas were set up for very good reasons, and must be protected from any pressures that arise.