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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.

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 to express my feelings on the Proposed changes to the Greenbelt areas in Wootton. What was the point in having the first proposals made available for these areas in Wootton, which the majority of Wootton disagreed with and who also completed the online objection form, for the Council to then ignore the majorities voice and put the Proposed changes forward yet again?!

I was born in Wootton, and my family live in Wootton and we have all noticed a significant increase in the amount of people, cars, traffic, noise, rubbish and crime since the Robinson Road estate was built.

The roads in and around Wootton can't cope with the volume of traffic now, I expect it would increase three times or even more with the proposed changes. The condition of the roads is very poor, pot holes everywhere, signage on the verges unreadable as the vegetation has grown over them. The rubbish

bins, especially near the shops are always full. Where will the water runoff go, if the land is built on, there are already areas in and around Wootton that flood? There will be more noise, more traffic, loss of privacy, value of property decreasing. The schools wouldn't be able to cope with more children. The public transport is already rubbish.

Greenbelt shouldn't be altered just because the Government won't address the real issue with the ever expanding population. We don't need more houses, we need less people. We are over populated as a country, it needs controlling, there are too many people on benefits with lots of children, whether they be British or immigrants, control this first, then you wouldn't even have to be thinking about building houses at all, let alone on Greenbelt land. How would we feed the increase in population if we are building houses on Greenbelt/agricultural land, just keep buying it in? What are these jobs that are going to be created, there won't be any, only short term with the building of any future houses.

The styling of any property would be an important factor, this clearly wasn't the case for the Robinson Road development as three storey town houses were built, yet Wootton is NOT a town, and there are no other houses like those in Wootton, the majority of the properties in the past, and still a number of them now are bungalows, someone must have received a 'back hander' on the Council to allow the Robinson Road development to go through! There shouldn't be any Social Housing on these estates, and certainly no people from areas where there is high unemployment and crime, as this will encourage, unemployment and crime in Wootton. The houses should be affordable housing, and to give the 'true' locals first refusal.

All in all though, myself, my family and friends are all against the Proposed changes to Wootton.

Please note your representation should cover succinctly all the information, evidence and supporting information necessary to support/justify the representation and the suggested modification, as there will not normally be a subsequent opportunity to make further representations based on the original representation at publication stage.

After this stage, further submissions will be only at the request of the Inspector, based on the matters and issues he/she identifies for examination.

Q6 If your representation is seeking a modification, No - I do not wish to participate at the oral do you consider it necessary to participate at the oral part of the examination?

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