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Q1 Do you consider the Local Plan is Legally Compliant?	Yes
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

If you think your comment relates to the DtC, this is about how we have worked with the Duty to Cooperate bodies (such as neighbouring planning authorities)

Q3 Do you consider the Local Plan complies with the Duty to Co-operate? Yes

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.

1 In relation to the above proposed allocation I write on behalf of landowners Mr C, Mrs A, Mr S & Mrs G Hartwright. They have full control over the land they own between them. In this submission we refer to them as the Hartwrights. They may be considered a unified party for these purposes. They own the great majority of the land that is subject of the proposed allocation known as land in Milton Parish west of the A34, Milton Heights. 2 This submission has two elements to it. Firstly general support and secondly an objection based upon a failure to consider wider housing needs. A suggested solution to this is included to make the plan sound. General Support for proposal 3 We agree with the Council that there is a need to identify a number of larger development sites in order to ensure that sufficient housing is built to meet the housing needs of the District as identified in the latest available evidence which is the SHMA (February 2014). This would appear to meet the requirement in the NPPF (para 14) for Local Plans to meet objectively assessed needs.

4 Any allocation will need to be located in a sustainable location and have good sustainable development credentials.

5 Given the very large number of homes required before 2031, the Council has assessed the ability for development to be provided within existing settlements/brownfield sites and it is clear that the number of homes identified will need Greenfield sites to come forward. Also given the very large number of homes large but separated strategic allocations are required to come forward to ensure flexibility in the plan to ultimately ensure delivery, which is the real aim of future planning.

6 The Spatial vision for the District (page 29 of the Consultation paper) is supported as the areas identified are the most sustainable parts of the district where development of the scale envisaged can be assimilated and realistically provided. In particular the ring fencing to Science Vale is supported as this is already sustainable but could still be improved. Development here will improve the area. This vision meets the NPPF paragraph 154 need to be aspirational but realistic.

Q5 Please set out what modification(s) you consider necessary to make the Local Plan legally compliant or sound, having regard to the test you have identified above where this relates to soundness. (NB Please note that any non-compliance with the duty to co-operate is incapable of modification at examination). You will need to say why this modification will make the Local Plan 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.

in order to explain why the model advocated for 1400 homes will be better than others due to the special nature of the model

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, do you consider it necessary to participate at the oral part of the examination?

Yes - I wish to participate at the oral examination