Test Valley Borough Council Consultation for Local Plan 2040 Regulation 18 Stage 2

COMMENTS FORM

Test Valley Borough Council has published its Local Plan 2040 Regulation 18 Stage 2 document for public consultation. This consultation document sets out a vision for Test Valley up to 2040, objectives for achieving this vision, our development needs alongside allocations for residential and employment development and theme-based policies.

The consultation period runs from Tuesday 6th February to noon on Tuesday 2nd April 2024. Please respond before the close of the consultation period so that your comments may be taken into account.

You can respond to our consultation by filling out the form below. This form has two parts:

Part A: Your Details

Part B: Your Comments (please fill in a separate sheet for each comment you wish to make)

Further information can be found on our website at: www.testvalley.gov.uk/localplan2040

Once the form has been completed, please send to planningpolicy@testvalley.gov.uk below by **noon on Tuesday 2**nd **April 2024**.

Following receipt of your comments from, we will keep you informed of future consultation stages unless you advise us that you want to opt out of such communication.

If you are unable to send via email, please send a postal copy to our address below.

Contacting us

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Part A: Your Details

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Please fill in all boxes marked with an *

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Personal Details and General Data Protection Regulation

Please note that representations cannot be treated as confidential. If you are responding as an individual, rather than as an organisation, we will not publish your contact details (email/ postal address and telephone number) or signatures online, however the original representations will be available for public viewing at our offices by prior appointment.

All representations and related documents will be held by the Council until the Local Plan 2040 is adopted and the Judicial Review period has closed and will then be securely destroyed.

The Council respects your privacy and is committed to protecting your personal data. Further details on the General Data Protection Regulation and Privacy Notices are

Part B: Your Comments

Please use the boxes below to state your comments. This includes one box for general comments and another for specific comments related to an area of the Local Plan.

Insert any general comments you may have that do not relate to a specific paragraph number or policy in the general comments box below.

If you are suggesting a change is needed to the draft Local Plan or supporting document, it would be helpful if you could include suggested revised wording.

If you are commenting on a document supporting the draft Local Plan (such as a topic paper, or the Sustainability Appraisal), please indicate so.

General	

For specific comments, please make it clear which paragraph, policy or matter your comments relate to where possible. Please use the box below.

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Paragraph Ref	Specific Comments
3.102 & 3.120	Nursling.
	We have lived in Nursling for 25 years. In this time, our tiny community on the edge of the Test SSSI, has been beset by a multitude of totally unsuitable Planning Applications for overdevelopment and industrialisation of this countryside location. The list of prposals is extensive and includes Combined Heat and Power generation, Deisel fired power station, Gas fired power station, battery storage (there are 3 already in the Parish and two more huge schemes are in the planning process currently), a large extension to an existing historic gravel/waste
	business, bringing with it the burden extra HGV movements through the Village.
	Even though many of the schemes never see the light of day, some do. We are beseiged, and I'd like to remind the Local Plan writers of the true nature of our Parish. The countryside includes the River Test SSSI, a world famous Chalk Stream (one of only 210 in the world), the accompanying ancient water meadow habitat and wildlife reserve SSSI. The river runs into the Solent estuary which is one of 70 Wetlands of International Importance within UK. The countryside connects to the New Forest, a 1000 year old woodland and heathland habitat and National Park. All our local woodlands, fields and waterways are part of a mosaic of wildlife habitats that connect to the New Forest and the Solent.

The Fields in question are both part of this countryside mosaic. Treating them as worth only what can be built on them is unconscionable. Treating the local community to yet more removal of a breathing space, yet more inappropriate development is grossly unfair.

Upton Lane is a much needed main route out to the wider world from Old Nursling. Needless to say we have no Bus Route, no GP or Pharmacy, not even a shop, within walking distance so driving is our only option. The other two exit routes are variously unsuitable. Lee Lane is a narrow country lane which requires much skill to negotiate. Andes Road takes you across the rail line into an existing business park, which involves negotiating blind bends where lorries often wait on double yellow lines for service at the deisel station there. All the Enterprises here are very busy, with constant large, complex vehicle traffic movements.

So Upton Lane it is, although the road itself is in a dreadful state, suffering floods and ice in the winter. The intersection with Romsey Road is very busy already. Turning right towards Southampton requires patience and good luck. The thought of adding HGVs and extra traffic to this mix is appalling. Upton Lane is a countryside location with several dwellings and a Retirement Village. The addition of extra traffic, with all the noise, light and air pollution involved is a severe cause for concern.

What happens next?

All valid responses received within the consultation period will be acknowledged and you will be given a reference number. Please quote this reference number when

contacting the Council about the Local Plan 2040. If you have an agent acting on your behalf, correspondence will be sent directly to your agent.

All responses received will be taken into account as part of the preparation of the Local Plan 2040.