



Odiham and North Warnborough Neighbourhood Plan 2014-2032

Representation Form

Copies of the Odiham and North Warnborough Neighbourhood Plan and supporting documents are available on [Hart District Council's website](#). Paper copies are available at the locations listed on the website.

Comments must be received by 4pm Monday 16 September

You can send your comments by:

- filling in this form and emailing it to: [REDACTED]
- printing this form and posting it to us at:

Planning Policy Team
Hart District Council,
Harlington Way
Fleet,
Hampshire, GU51 4AE

We cannot accept anonymous comments and will publish all comments on our website with your name and organisation (where applicable). If Odiham Parish Council, who prepared the plan, request a copy, we will send a redacted version showing only your name and comments.

We will send the neighbourhood plan examiner a full copy of your comments and details. The examiner will retain the data until we have made the relevant statutory decisions on whether to adopt the plan and the deadline for a Judicial Review has passed, which is six weeks after the decision notice has been published.

For further details on: how your information is used; how we maintain the security of your information; your rights, including how to access information we hold on you; and how to complain if you have concerns about how your personal details are processed, please see [Hart's Privacy Notice](#).

If you would like to be notified of Hart District Council's decision whether to 'make' the Plan (to bring it into legal force), please mark the box below.

Yes, please notify me

If you would like to opt out of this decision at any time, please email [REDACTED]

PART A: Details of the individual or organisation making the representation

	Your details	Agents details (if applicable)
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Organisation (if applicable)		

PART B: Your representation

To which part of the Neighbourhood Plan does your representation relate?

Whole document? Yes/no Yes

Paragraph number:

Policy reference:

Do you support, oppose, or wish to comment on this policy/paragraph?

(Please tick one answer)

Support Support with modifications Oppose Have Comments

Please give details of your reasons for support/objection, or make other comments in the space below, including any specific changes you wish to see to the Plan. Please be as precise as possible and use a new form for comments on different policies/parts of the Plan. Please do not include any personal information in your answer below.

Representation:

This plan is well prepared and overall, I fully support it.

I particularly welcome the fact that the Council have recognised the value of various greenspaces adjacent to the housing areas and which play a vital part in making the area such an attractive place to live. The inclusion for example of the part of the Deer Park adjacent to the village and the Cricket Club are particularly to be applauded. Indeed, it is important to emphasise that the latter play a vital role in the community across all age groups thus further underlining the importance of protecting it.

In seeking to retain the strengths of the village and the surrounding areas it is important to equally recognise that has to evolve if it is not to become a museum piece and thus lose its vitality. It is therefore interesting to note the high proportion of the housing envisaged over the planning period to 2032 has already been built or approved to be built. This clearly underscores the fact that the Odiham area is attractive to newcomers and in turn they importantly add to the vitality of what is otherwise an aging community.

Moreover, in a context where housing is urgently needed in the south east and where the government is now mandating councils to increase the building of more houses it is perhaps a missed opportunity that the council failed to identify other areas suitable to be built on. It is surely better for those who truly understand the area to lead such a process rather than to have it forced upon them by third parties whether they be government or builders who are not familiar with the area but are seeking a simple solution. I would urge the council to be proactive in pre-empting such pressures.

Clearly such observations do not invalidate this plan but perhaps should be treated as a marker for the next revision.

Hugh Thomas