

#1

COMPLETE

Collector: Web Link 1 (Web Link)
Started: Friday, May 16, 2025 12:52:21 PM
Last Modified: Friday, May 16, 2025 6:50:46 PM
Time Spent: 05:58:25
IP Address: [REDACTED]

Page 1: Introduction

Q1 **Agree**

To what extent do you agree with the selection of these objectives?

Q2

What are the reasons for your answer to question 1?

With regard to design standards, in relation to renewable and low carbon energy, it would be helpful for all parties if the local plan could make reference to the design expectations set out in paragraphs 4.7.1 and 4.7.2 of NPS EN1. Too often, decision makers will apply ill-suited local plan design policies to solar farms, finding them in conflict without understanding that "The visual appearance of a building, structure, or piece of infrastructure, and how it relates to the landscape it sits within, is sometimes considered to be the most important factor in good design. But high quality and inclusive design goes far beyond aesthetic considerations. The functionality of an object be it a building or other type of infrastructure including fitness for purpose and sustainability, is equally important" and "Applying good design to energy projects should produce sustainable infrastructure sensitive to place, including impacts on heritage, efficient in the use of natural resources, including land-use, and energy used in their construction and operation, matched by an appearance that demonstrates good aesthetic as far as possible. It is acknowledged, however that the nature of energy infrastructure development will often limit the extent to which it can contribute to the enhancement of the quality of the area."

Page 2: Strategy for homes and residential allocations (policies S2 and S6)

Q3 **Neither Agree nor Disagree**

To what extent do you agree with the more dispersed overall spatial strategy for new homes?

Q4 **Respondent skipped this question**

What are the reasons for your answer to question 3 and if you disagree with the proposed spatial strategy what alternative should we pursue?

Q5 **Respondent skipped this question**

Is there a site that is proposed to be allocated for housing in policy S6 that you do not support? If so, which site and why?

Q6 **Respondent skipped this question**

The development sites annex lists development requirements for the allocated sites. Are there additional or different requirements we should be seeking? Please specify which site you are referring to.

Page 3: Strategy for employment land and employment allocations (policies S3 and S7)

Q7 **Neither Agree nor Disagree**

To what extent do you agree with the strategy for employment land?

Q8 **Respondent skipped this question**

What are the reasons for your answer to question 7? If you disagree, what alternative location(s) would be better and why?

Page 4: Gypsy and Traveller sites (policy S4)

Q9 **Neither Agree nor Disagree**

To what extent do you agree with policy S4?

Q10 **Respondent skipped this question**

What are the reasons for your answer to question 9?

Page 5: Climate

Q11 **Strongly Agree**

To what extent do you agree with the approach to reducing emissions and adapting to the effects of climate change?

Q12

What are the reasons for your answer to question 11?

Enviromena understand that the Council is not allocating sites for renewable and low carbon energy, and have decided not to identify areas suitable for ground mounted solar development because of inherent challenges with site selection. Enviromena support that approach. The national policy statements EN1 and EN3 are clear on the factors that dictate site selection for renewable and low carbon development, and a great deal of the elements are outwith the local planning authorities purview e.g. land owner willingness / site availability, proximity to points of connection (as distinct to substations) and the application process related to that and viability. In response to emerging policy CL2A. this criterion is one that could do with making reference to the design guidance of NPS EN1 paras 4.7.1 and 4.7.2 because renewable energy proposals can be found in conflict with policies geared towards housing etc. Criterion D. is outdated. There is no UK Food Crisis and, for example, solar farms do not result in the 'loss' of BMV land in any event. Criterion D. might cause more problems than it solves. Criterion F. is more restrictive than paragraph 168 of the NPPF. This will require strong evidence if this is the intention. If the criterion is to remain, then it would be essential to set some parameters for what constitutes "involvement and leadership" and how applicants might demonstrate compliance (where the line in the sand is).

Page 6: Economy

Q13

Disagree

To what extent do you agree with the document's economic policies?

Q14

What are the reasons for your answer to question 13?

Renewable energy is a form of farm diversification and could usefully be included.

Page 7: Centres

Q15

Neither Agree nor Disagree

To what extent do you agree with the policies for retail centres?

Q16

Respondent skipped this question

What are the reasons for your answer to question 15?

Page 8: Environment

Q17

Strongly Disagree

To what extent do you agree with the document's environmental policies?

Q18

What are the reasons for your answer to question 17?

With regard to the canopy cover point, this would be counter-intuitive for solar farms, which should be exempted from the requirement.

Page 9: Housing

Q19

Neither Agree nor Disagree

To what extent do you agree with the document's housing policies?

Q20

Respondent skipped this question

What are the reasons for your answer to question 19?

Page 10: Wellbeing

Q21

Neither Agree nor Disagree

To what extent do you agree with the document's wellbeing policies?

Q22

Respondent skipped this question

What are the reasons for your answer to question 21?

Page 11: Design

Q23

Strongly Disagree

To what extent do you agree with the document's design policies?

Q24

What are the reasons for your answer to question 23?

This policy is an example of the sort of local plan design policy that can 'haunt' renewables applications. It would be useful if it could explain that either renewables proposals are 'exempt' from the policy requirements, or that material considerations like the design guidance in NPS EN1 will be taken into account for renewable and low carbon energy development.

Page 12: Infrastructure

Q25

Neither Agree nor Disagree

To what extent do you agree with the document's infrastructure policies?

Q26

Respondent skipped this question

What are the reasons for your answer to question 25?

Page 13: Any Other Feedback

Q27

Respondent skipped this question

If there are any other comments you wish to make regarding the consultation document which you have not already given in your preceding answers, please enter them here:

Page 14: About you

Q28

What is your name?

████████████████████

Q29

What organisation are you representing, if applicable?

██████████

Q30

No

Are you a resident of Rugby Borough?

Q31

Your contact email

████████████████████

Q32

Your contact address

██████
████████████████
██████████

Q33

Your Postcode

████████

Q34

[REDACTED]

What is your Gender Identity?

Q35

[REDACTED]

Age

Q36

[REDACTED]

Ethnicity

Q37

[REDACTED]

Do you consider yourself to be disabled?

Q38

[REDACTED]

What is your sexual orientation?

Q39

[REDACTED]

What is your religion or belief?
