

Representation Form for Local Plans

	Local Plan Publication Stage Representation Form	Ref: (For official use only)
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Name of the Local Plan to which this representation relates:

Rugby Borough Council Proposed
Submission Local Plan

Please return to Rugby Borough Council by 5:00pm Friday 13th March 2026
By email to: localplan@rugby.gov.uk with **Proposed Submission Consultation**
in the subject line, OR by post to: Development Strategy, Town Hall, Evreux
Way, Rugby, CV21 2RR.

This form has two parts –

Part A – Personal Details: need only be completed once.

Part B – Your representation(s). Please fill in a separate sheet for each representation you wish to make.

Part A

1. Personal Details*

**If an agent is appointed, please complete only the Title, Name and Organisation boxes below (if applicable) but complete the full contact details of the agent in 2.*

2. Agent's Details (if applicable)

Title	<input type="text" value="Mrs"/>	<input type="text"/>
First Name	<input type="text" value="Hazel"/>	<input type="text"/>
Last Name	<input type="text" value="Oag"/>	<input type="text"/>
Job Title (where relevant)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Organisation (where relevant)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Address Line 1	<input type="text" value="██████████"/>	<input type="text"/>
Line 2	<input type="text" value="██████████"/>	<input type="text"/>
Line 3	<input type="text" value="██████"/>	<input type="text"/>
Line 4	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Post Code	<input type="text" value="████████"/>	<input type="text"/>
Telephone Number	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
E-mail Address (where relevant)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Part B – Please use a separate sheet for each policy or site you wish to comment on

Name or Organisation: Mrs Hazel Oag, Resident of Chapel Street, Long Lawford

3. To which part of the Local Plan does this representation relate?

Lawford Fields Farm, Long Lawford

Local Plan
Paragraph

Local
Plan
Policy

Policies Map

Site ID

253

4. Do you consider the Local Plan:

(1) is Legally compliant

Yes

No

(2) is Sound

Yes

No

No

(3) complies with the
Duty to co-operate

Yes

No

5. 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.

This representation relates specifically to the proposal to permit the building of 250 dwellings on Lawford Fields Farm. This proposal is not justified or consistent with national planning policy. If this development was removed from Rugby Borough Council's plans, they would still be allocating 11,479 houses which is 667 more houses than the 10,812 figure quoted as the number the Secretary of State is telling them to find.

Lawford Fields Farm site is in the highest category of Green Belt and, for this reason, should not be considered for development. My understanding is that, in 2025, Rugby Borough Council's sustainability consultants agreed that houses should not be built on this site for several reasons, yet this decision seems to have been reversed.

The government's planning policy states that "Green Belt boundaries should only be altered where exceptional circumstances are fully evidenced and justified through the preparation or updating of plans. Where it is necessary to release Green Belt land for development, plans should give priority to previously developed land, then consider Grey Belt which is not previously developed and then other Green Belt locations."

Lawford Fields Farm is not previously developed. It is not Grey Belt. It is the very last part of the Green Belt which should be considered for development.

I object to any further development of Long Lawford, which has taken the brunt of considerable additional housing in recent years, seemingly without thought for the

long-term infrastructure, safety of residents, flooding issues/effect on the environment, availability of schools and total lack of suitable public transport. Although there are promises within the planning applications of improvements to facilities, this rarely happens, if at all, within any acceptable timescale.

For example, the consultation presentation I went to on 24 February assured us that there would be adequate capacity at the primary school in Long Lawford for the children in these new houses. I believe that this is not the case.

There is no satisfactory case for allocating Lawford Fields Farm for housing.

(Continue on a separate sheet /expand box if necessary)

6. Please set out the modification(s) you consider necessary to make the Local Plan legally compliant and sound, in respect of any legal compliance or soundness matters you have identified at 5 above. (Please note that non-compliance with the duty to co-operate is incapable of modification at examination). You will need to say why each 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.

Remove the allocation of Lawford Fields Farm from Rugby Borough Council's local plan. (Site 253)

(Continue on a separate sheet /expand box if necessary)

Please note: In your representation you should provide succinctly all the evidence and supporting information necessary to support your representation and your suggested modification(s). You should not assume that you will have a further opportunity to make submissions.

After this stage, further submissions may only be made if invited by the Inspector, based on the matters and issues he or she identifies for examination.

7. If your representation is seeking a modification to the plan, do you consider it necessary to participate in examination hearing session(s)?

No

No, I do not wish to participate in hearing session(s)

Yes, I wish to participate in hearing session(s)

Please note that while this will provide an initial indication of your wish to participate in hearing session(s), you may be asked at a later point to confirm your request to participate.

8. If you wish to participate in the hearing session(s), please outline why you consider this to be necessary:

Please note the Inspector will determine the most appropriate procedure to adopt to hear those who have indicated that they wish to participate in hearing session(s). You may be asked to confirm your wish to participate when the Inspector has identified the matters and issues for examination.

9. If you have used AI to produce or substantially alter your representation, please declare which tool you have used, how it was used, and what checks you have undertaken to ensure the AI-produced material is accurate.

All representations received will be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate alongside the Proposed Submission Local Plan and published on the council's website. Personal addresses and email addresses (as distinct from businesses addresses), but not names, will be redacted before representations are published.

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<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/planning-inspectorate-privacy-notices>