

Houghton Neighbourhood Plan

Regulation 16 Consultation Response Form

Please return your completed response form to Test Valley Borough Council via either:

- E-mail: Neighbourhoodplanning@testvalley.gov.uk **or**
- Post: Planning Policy, Beech Hurst, Weyhill Road, Andover, SP10 3AJ.

The consultation starts on Monday 27 September and ends at Noon on Tuesday 9 November 2021

Please review the Data Protection section, and sign and date at the end of this response form.

Guidance Note:

This response form has two parts:

Part A – Contact Details and Future Notification

Please provide your personal contact details. If an agent is appointed to represent you, then they would need to provide their full contact details in addition to your Title, Name and Organisation (if applicable). This information is required to enable the Independent Examiner to contact you for further information if required during the examination of the Neighbourhood Plan.

Consultees can request to be notified once Test Valley Borough Council has decided to ‘make’ the Houghton Neighbourhood Plan, following the Independent Examination and referendum. This decision is the final statutory stage in adopting a Neighbourhood Plan. Please indicate whether or not you wish to be notified.

Part B – Your representation(s)

If you are responding using this form, please use a separate Part B form for each different part of the Plan that you respond to (for example, one form per document or per policy).

Please use the table to set out which document and which part of that document your comments relate to. If your comment is on a specific element please set this out in the table. Your comments should then be written in the box – please state if you have included any attachments as part of your comments.

Part A – Contact Details and Future Notification

Contact Details

	1. Personal Details (or Client Details if applicable)**	2. Agent's Details (if applicable)
Title*	Mr & Mrs	
First name*	Nicholas	
Last name*	Cardoe	
Job title (where relevant)		
Organisation (where relevant)		
Address*	Houghton	
Postcode*	SO20 6LU	
Telephone Number		
Email Address		

*Please note: these sections must be completed.

**If an agent is appointed, please provide the client's Title, Name and Organisation.

Future Notification

Do you wish to be notified of Test Valley Borough Council's decision to 'make' the Houghton Neighbourhood Plan? (Please tick):

Yes:

 yes

No:

Part B – Representation

Please use a separate Part B form for each document/paragraph/policy that you are making representations about.

To which document does this representation relate?

(please **tick only one document per Response Form** and indicate the section / policy number / paragraph number to which your comments relate to)

Consultation Document	Tick	Section/ Policy/ Paragraph
Houghton Neighbourhood Plan	xxx	7.19
Basic Conditions Statement		
Consultation Statement		
Designated Area Map		

Please write your comments in this box: *(Continue on next page and attach an additional page at the back of your response if required)*

I refer to our comments and plans submitted to Houghton Parish Council Consultation Statement.

Pages 31&32 ref NDP paragraph 7.19

In essence within the suggested area LGS5 we own two parcels of land which are both fully enclosed by hedgerow and trees. One parcel is fully enclosed and directly behind a farmhouse and cannot be seen by the general public and a second fully enclosed parcel which is roadside but also enclosed by high hedgerow and trees. There is not public right of way.

Below is a copy of our response:

Our land (between Coopers Farmhouse and Ladymead Cottage) has two 2 areas (not specified clearly on plan 6): Area 1 = the enclosed field which has a gate to the road. Area 2 = the land directly behind our house. In terms of planning, our land is within a Conservation Area and outside the Village Settlement Area so it is already protected from development via other means. Making it an LGS would not confer any additional benefit to the community. As landowners, we positively embrace the site’s conservation and bucolic merits and there is no proposal for development of this site. By giving this land a new designation, it may well ultimately affect the land’s value. We feel that our land (between Coopers and Ladymead) when combined with the other areas (LGS5, 8 and 9) is extensive when compared to other nominated green areas in the village. We do not identify our land as being particularly characteristic or giving a specifically unique or significant view.

A designation must be supported by clear evidence that the land is demonstrably special to the local community. The dictionary defines “special” as meaning “better, greater, or otherwise different from what is usual”. This means that evidence must be produced to prove that proposed Local Green Space land is better, greater, or otherwise different from what is usual in the specific context of the site. We have not seen any evidence to this effect in relation to our land (Paragraph: 009 Reference ID: 37-009-20140306). The current list has already identified 18 important views in the village. This is a large number of “views” for a small village and we feel that our land is not justified as another required green space or as an important view (part of

LGS5, View 13). View 13 of the land (Area 1) is very limited and is only seen from our gate. This gate is set back from the road, on private land away from public access (we believe the photo was taken off the pavement).

There is no other public view of the field as it is hidden by a large, tall hedge. View 13 appears to be a late inclusion and not part of the original views exhibited in the last draft (Houghton consultation draft NDP v1.pdf) publicly available on the Houghton website up until the parish meeting on 30 March 2021. The land immediately to rear of our house (Coopers Farmhouse Area 2), which is not part of the field or View 13, does not form part of the street scene of the village. This land is surrounded by stock fencing, tall thick hedge and trees. It cannot be accessed or viewed by the local community from the public road or a footpath ie. any public access point. We strongly object to this area being included. There is insufficient clear evidence available as to what features of our land are being highlighted as an inclusion as a LGS. Amendments to draft Houghton NDP Government guidelines note (Paragraph: 021 Reference ID: 37-021-20140306) that management of the land designated remains the responsibility of the landowner and these features have not been highlighted.

Below we have added the land we are referring to with red stripes.



Data Protection

Data Protection: The comments you submit will be used to inform the Neighbourhood Plan process and will be held for the lifetime of the Neighbourhood Plan. Please note that your comments will **not** be treated as confidential and will be made available for public inspection. However, contact details will not be made public and will not be passed to external parties, apart from the Examiner, without permission. For further information on how we use your personal data please visit <http://www.testvalley.gov.uk/gdpr>

Please tick the box to confirm you are happy for your comments to be used in this way

Signed Nicholas Cardoe.....

Date 8 Nov 2021.....

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If you require any assistance in completing this form or require further information, please contact the Neighbourhood Planning team.