



Local Plan

Publication Stage Representation Form

Ref:

(For official use only)

Name of the Local Plan to which this representation relates:

South Staffordshire Council Local Plan 2023 - 2041

Please return to South Staffordshire Council by 12 noon Friday 31 May 2024

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*		2. Agent's Details (if applicable)
*If an agent is appointed	ed, please complete only the ete the full contact details of	
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Name or Organisation:					
3. To which part of the Loca	l Plan does this	representation relat	:e?		
Paragraph	Policy DS4	Policies Map			
4. Do you consider the Loca	l Plan is :				
(1) Legally compliant	Yes		No		
(2) Sound	Yes		No	✓	
(3) Complies with the Duty to co-operate	Yes	✓	No		
Please tick as appropriate					
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At present the SHMA assumes that the projected growth of the working age population in South Staffordshire will grow by just 1,012 people between 2023 and 2041. This is below the forecast jobs growth outlined in the EDNA which fails to consider additional jobs created at WMI. Further consideration should therefore be given to whether the minimum local housing need figure derived from the standard method would support the necessary growth in the working age population to create a balanced community within South Staffordshire to support such jobs growth, even taking into consideration the 640 additional homes to meet unmet needs in the wider housing market area

See supporting representations for further details.

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Further evidence is necessary to consider the working age population that would be necess may require an uplift in local housing needs i	ary to satisfy the jobs demand. This				
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3. To which part of the Local Plan does this representation relate?					
Paragraph	Policy HC1	Policies Ma	пр		
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(2) Sound	Yes		No	1	
(3) Complies with the Duty to co-operate	Yes	✓	No		
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Lovell Homes would wish to raise concerns that the proposed direction of travel appears overly prescriptive with all market housing proposals to include 70% of properties to comprise three bedrooms or less.					
The SHMA utilises a long-term balancing housing market (LTBHM) model to determine future demand for housing. Lovell Homes would question whether this model does actually determine demand rather than need. The demand is often for a larger open market property than a household may need to provide additional flexibility e.g. working from home. Therefore, the approach to capping the percentage of larger homes, particularly open market homes, fails to provide a good level of flexibility to allow for changing market signals across the plan period or to address varying needs in different locations within the District					
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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.

Lovell Homes considers that it is most appropriate for housing mix to be guided by market signals, as defined within the most up-to-date assessment of needs. The assessment of needs should be routinely updated across the 20-year Plan period. This ensures that housing mix is reflective of market-driven need.

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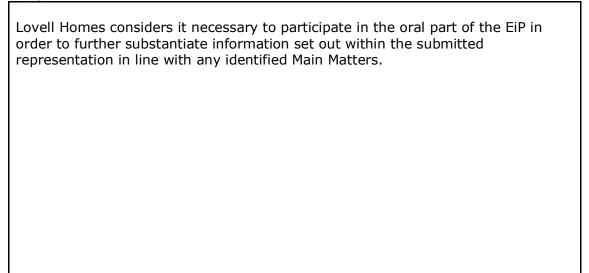
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It is considered that a specific requirement for bungalows is not appropriate if instead the Council pursues a policy of requiring 100% of all homes to meet optional M4(2) requirements.					
The Government has consulted on raising accessibility standards for new homes but the requirement for all homes to meet M4(2) standards is yet to be mandated. If the Council intends to pursue a policy in respect of M4(2) standards this must be evidenced. Lovell Homes considers that whilst there may be justification for implementing optional M4(2) standards, the 100% requirement is not justified.					
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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.

The Policy should be amended to require a maximum of 50% of all new homes to be delivered to meet the optional M4(2) standards, especially where this could be in addition to other homes for older people and others with special housing requirements required by Policy HC4.

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It is clear that the evidence does not currently support the imposition of the optional NDSS within South Staffordshire. To the contrary, the evidence highlights a number of potential risks if such a policy were to be introduced. See supporting representations for further details.					
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Accessibility standards should be established through the Local Plan to provide
certainty and not displaced to supplementary guidance which is not intended to
establish policy.

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A locally specific sustainable construction requirement is unnecessary and without justification for deviation from the Government's Future Homes standards to be considered through building regulations. See supporting representations for further details.				
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