



Solihull MBC Local Plan Publication Stage Representation Form

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Name of the Local Plan to which this representation relates:

Regulation 19

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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, please complete only the Title, Name and Organisation (if applicable) boxes below but complete the full contact details of the agent in 2.		
Title	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text" value="Mr"/>
First Name	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text" value="Michael"/>
Last Name	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text" value="Robson"/>
Job Title (where relevant)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Organisation (where relevant)	<input type="text" value="Kler Group Ltd c/o agent"/>	<input type="text" value="Cerda Planning Ltd"/>
Address Line 1	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text" value="5-7 High Street"/>
Line 2	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text" value="Sutton Coldfield"/>
Line 3	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Line 4	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Post Code	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text" value="B72 1XH"/>
Telephone Number	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
E-mail Address (where relevant)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text" value="[REDACTED]"/>

Part B – Please use a separate sheet for each representation

Name or Organisation:

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

Paragraph	<input type="text"/>	Policy	P4A Meeting Housing Needs	Policies Map	<input type="text"/>
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4. Do you consider the Local Plan is:

4.(1) Legally compliant	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.(2) Sound	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4 (3) Complies with the Duty to co-operate	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please tick as appropriate

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.

The need for affordable housing is acknowledged and supported. The evidence points to an immediate need for affordable housing.

Paragraph 158 of the draft Submission Plan makes clear that affordable housing need is exceptionally high as Solihull has one of the most severe affordability problems in the West Midlands region, with a shortage of affordable housing being particularly acute in the mature suburbs and rural areas of the Borough.

40% affordable provision on qualifying sites reflects the requirements in the 2013 Local Plan and has historically ensured affordable housing delivery without creating issues in terms of site viability.

Criteria 3(iv) states that in circumstances where the provision of affordable housing would prejudice the realisation of other planning objectives that need to be given priority in the development of the site, affordable housing will be considered at less than policy compliant 40% provision.

Given the scale of the affordable need in Solihull, and the provisions of the Borough vision which includes Borough residents having access to a range and choice of quality housing accommodation, it is difficult to envisage any circumstances where other planning objectives take precedence over the delivery of affordable housing.

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.

Criteria 3(iv) should be deleted from Policy P4A so as not to undermine or prejudice the delivery of much needed affordable housing as evidenced in the draft Submission Plan.

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, 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:

We raise serious issues which go to the heart of soundness. We consider that our submissions are best reviewed orally, along with other participants who will no doubt be making similar representations, to best assist the Inspector(s) in coming to a view as to whether the Local Plan Review should proceed to adoption, modified or not.

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. Signature:

Date:

14.12.20