

# Site Allocations DPD consultation online questionnaire.

## About This Form

This is the online form which you can use to give us your comments on the draft Site Allocations development plan document (DPD). The public consultation documents are available at [Woking2027 website](#).

The public consultation is open from **Thursday 18 June to Friday 31 July 2015**. Unfortunately we cannot accept responses received after 5pm on the closing date.

You can let us have your comments in a number of ways:

- 1. Use this online questionnaire – instructions are set out below.
- 2. Complete a downloadable / printable questionnaire and return this either by email to [planning.policy@woking.gov.uk](mailto:planning.policy@woking.gov.uk) or by post to the Planning Policy team, Woking Borough Council, Civic Offices, Gloucester Square, Woking, Surrey, GU21 6YL.
- 3. Complete the comments form accompanying the online Site Allocations interactive map (see [www.woking2027.info](http://www.woking2027.info)).
- 4. You can also register your comments with the Planning Policy Team at one of our public consultation events (see [www.woking2027.info](http://www.woking2027.info))

If you have any questions about completing this form please contact the Planning Policy team by email on [planning.policy@woking.gov.uk](mailto:planning.policy@woking.gov.uk) or telephone on 01483 743871.

## Mandatory Fields

This questionnaire will ask you for your views on the various consultation documents: the draft Site Allocations document, the Sustainability Appraisal and the Habitats Regulations Assessment. If you have no comments on any one of these, simply choose 'next' to move to the next page of the questionnaire.

You can also suggest a new potential development site or make a general comment (not specific to any one of the consultation documents).

Some fields are mandatory, so must be completed. They are marked with a red asterisk.

Please note we are unable to accept anonymous responses.

You must complete all the form in one session, no information will be saved. If a form is half completed and closed, you will need to start again.

## Data Protection

Please be aware that representations received by the Council will be made publicly available.

The Council may also use this information within the Council to exercise functions of a public nature in the public interest.

## Contact Details

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Locality	
Please select your status or that of any party your are representing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resident of Woking Borough
	<input type="checkbox"/> Someone who works in Woking Borough
	<input type="checkbox"/> Someone who visits Woking Borough
	<input type="checkbox"/> Someone representing a group or organisation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Owner of land in Woking Borough
	<input type="checkbox"/> Planning / Land agent
	<input type="checkbox"/> Developer
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify)

Please note that everyone responding to this consultation  will be notified of future Woking Borough planning policy consultations. If you would prefer not to be contacted in the future, please tick this box

## Your views on the Site Allocations document

This section is for providing comments regarding the Draft Site Allocations DPD. Please provide as much detail as possible, for example the page or paragraph numbers to which your comment relates and explain any changes you consider should be made to the document.

This section can also be used to suggest a new potential development site to the Council (please state the full site address and contact details for the landowner(s) in your comments).

Site allocations  
Would you like to  
Please give us your comment

Site GB10 Land NE of Saunders Lane Mayford  
Objecting  
The purpose of the Green Belt is to prevent urban sprawl and to maintain the open spaces between individual towns and villages. The current proposals will create an endless sprawl of housing connecting Woking, Hook Heath, Mayford and beyond. A key attraction of Woking currently is housing interspersed with open space and greenery.

Woking Core Strategy policy CS24 requires that, "All development proposals will provide a positive benefit in terms of landscape and townscape character, and local distinctiveness and will have regard to landscape character areas; To protect local landscape and townscape character, development will be expected to:  
\* conserve, and where possible enhance existing character, especially key landscapes such as heathlands, escarpments and the canal/river network and settlement characteristics; maintain locally valued features, and enhance or restore deteriorating features."

This proposal takes no notice of this requirement.

The proposed housing densities of 30 dwellings per hectare (dph) on the Saunders Lane sites GB10 and GB11 are grossly excessive when compared to the average density to date. The impact on trees and wildlife will be significant.

Local transport infrastructure is heavily congested during the morning and evening rush hours. A 3 mile school run journey can often take 30 minutes. The CO2 emissions are already well above target due to gridlock traffic problems. Egley Road, Saunders Lane, Hook Hill Lane and many other roads will not be able to cope with the additional traffic that several new housing estates, a retail park and a school will place on it.

Proposed modifications - Please explain what changes you consider should be made (for example, to the text, to the site boundary)

If you would like to comment on another part of the consultation document, please select the 'Add' button below'

Site allocations  
Would you like to  
Please give us your comment

Site GB11 Land NW of Saunders Lane Mayford  
Objecting

The purpose of the Green Belt is to prevent urban sprawl and to maintain the open spaces between individual towns and villages. The current proposals will create an endless sprawl of housing connecting Woking, Hook Heath, Mayford and beyond. A key attraction of Woking currently is housing interspersed with open space and greenery.

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Site allocations  
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Site GB14 Land adj Hook Hill Lane Hook Heath  
Objecting

The removal of GB14 from the green belt to create 'green infrastructure' is not necessary since no change of use is planned. It is in any case 'not an exceptional circumstance' which is required for land to be removed from the green belt.

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## Sustainability Appraisal Report

Sustainability Appraisal has been undertaken to consider the likely significant effects that the draft Site Allocations development plan document (DPD) might have on the Borough in environmental, economic and social terms.

Section of the Sustainability Appraisal

9 Summary of Key Challenges and Sustainability Issues facing the Borough

Would you like to  
Please explain your comments

Supporting  
Some very valid points are raised here, that would be severely challenged by the current development proposals for Woking 2027.

Proposed modifications - please explain what changes you consider should be made, if any

If you would like to comment on another part of the consultation document, please select the 'Add' button below.

## Habitat Regulations Assessment (HRA)

A Habitat Regulations Assessment (HRA) was undertaken to consider the likely significant effects that the draft Site Allocations development plan document (DPD) might have on European designated habitats

Section of the Habitat Regulations Assessment (HRA)

4 HRA Screening of Woking Site Allocations

Would you like to

Supporting

Please give us your comments

A number of very valid points are made that demonstrate a clear disruption and loss of wildlife, and deterioration in air quality caused by traffic pollution in the proposed developments in GB10, GB11 and GB14. The current proposed plans are not compatible with the required standards set out.

Proposed modifications - please explain what changes you consider should be made, if any

If you would like to comment on another part of the consultation document, please select the 'Add' button below.

## General comment or suggest a new site

This section is for general comment not covered by the previous pages.

Any other comments

Having grown up overseas, the Woking area has become a much loved and appreciated home to me. To date, the borough has managed to maintain - despite constant development pressures - a pleasant mix of urban, semi-rural and rural spaces in close proximity. Plans to turn the whole area into another part of outer London suburbia will erode what is left, and bring a whole new set of social and infrastructure challenges to the area.

In 10 years, I have seen the highly popular train station become as busy as anything London has with the apartments that have gone up around the town centre. Commuting volumes have already gone up by several hundred people a day. The thought of another few hundred commuters each day will make the commute from Woking an extremely cramped and unpopular experience. Woking will get a bad reputation as a commuting spot, and people will look further afield if the same space and greenery is not on offer, combined with good commuting links. This in turn will impact the town centre, which will already be suffering from traffic gridlock.

# Thank you for taking the time to respond.

You have reached the end of this questionnaire. Please ensure that you have completed all the relevant fields.

If you wish to review all the information you have supplied click on the **Review** button.

If you wish to change some of the information you have entered click on the **Previous** button to get back to the relevant page.

If you wish to discard the information you have entered click on the **Cancel** button.

When you are happy with the information you have supplied click on the **Submit** button.

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## What will happen next?

When you click the submit button, the information you have provided will be submitted to the Council as a formal response to the consultation. A copy will also be sent to the email address you have provided, for your records. Please note that responses will not be individually acknowledged.

After 5pm on 31 July 2015, all of the responses will be analysed. We will compile the results of the consultation and will update the Site Allocations document before asking for your views again. After that, the final Site Allocations document will be submitted to the Government for its consideration at an independent Examination.

The Council provides updates on the progress of this and other planning policy documents to those who have responded to a previous consultation and /or have expressed an interest to be kept informed. We also keep our local plan website [Woking2027](#) up to date with the latest information.