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Q1 Personal Details*

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City/ Town	Boughton
County	Northamptonshire

Q2 Personal Details Continued

Postcode
Telephone Number
Email (If provided we will always contact you this way)

Q3 Agents Details (If Applicable)

Respondent skipped this question

Q4 Agents Details Continued

Respondent skipped this question

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Q5 To which part of the Local Plan does this representation relate? Please state paragraph Number/ Policy Number/ Policies Maps

The Chapter 5

Q6 Do you consider the Local Plan is:(Please tick in the box below as appropriate and then provide details in the space below)

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| (1) Legally Compliant? | Yes |
| (2) Compliant with the Duty to co- operate? | Yes |
| (3) Sound? | No |

Q7 (1) Please give details of why you consider the Local Plan is not legally compliant, be as precise as possible. **Respondent skipped this question**

Q8 (2) Please give details of why you consider the Local Plan does not comply with the duty to co-operate, be as precise as possible. **Respondent skipped this question**

Q9 (3) Please give details of why you consider the Local Plan is not sound, referring to the tests of soundness as appropriate, be as precise as possible.

The Plan states that for it to be sound

"the plan should be prepared based on a strategy which seeks to meet objectively assessed development and infrastructure requirements..."

However in the plan it goes on to consider Boughton village a 'secondary service village' alongside much larger villages with larger varieties of services such as Braunston and West Haddon.

As defined in The Plan, a secondary service village is

"These settlements have a more limited range of services, but still provide scope to meet some local needs for housing, employment and service provision"

This description is not appropriate for Boughton. We have no shop and no employment opportunities beyond 1 office which has bought premises elsewhere. We have a pub, a pocket park and a primary school which the Plan later says are the type & level of services available in "Other Villages".

In fact the plan clearly states "Other Villages - These villages have an even more limited range of services and are more reliant on the services of larger centres for day to day needs."

This definition is exactly what Boughton is - reliant on the services of larger centres (Kingsthorpe/Northampton) for our day to day needs. Boughton has the same level of services as Chapel Brampton which is considered an 'other village'.

I'm aware scoring for villages was undertaken to assign the categories. In those calculations you counted Boughton's one park twice - one as a play area and once as a sports field. We have no sports fields.

It is my understanding other aspects of those calculations were inappropriate and not in line with the reality of services (or lack thereof) in our village.

Therefore, the soundness of this document is hugely called into question. Utilising a scoring system that is not based on reality of villages is no appropriate or objective in identifying where there are gaps and needs.

The plan is also not Justified based on reasonable evidence considering the approach to scoring based on imagination instead of fact.

Q10 Please set out what modification(s) you consider necessary to make the Local Plan legally compliant or sound, having regard to the matter you have identified at part 4(1) or 4(3) above where this relates to soundness. (NB Please note that any non-compliance with the duty to co-operate is incapable of modification at examination). You will need to say why this 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.

The scoring of villages to assign their categories should be based on the reality of local services and provisions. This should not have been based on aspirations or fantasy as to the level of services or facilities in villages.

Q11 If your representation is seeking a modification, do you consider it necessary to participate at the oral part of the examination? (please tick as appropriate) **No, I do not wish to participate at the oral examination**

Q12 If you wish to participate at the oral part of the examination, please outline why you consider this to be necessary. **Respondent skipped this question**

Q13 Do you wish to be notified of further progress of the Local Plan **Yes**
