

# View Response

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1.

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

Please provide the reference of the policy, paragraph, policies map, evidence etc that your comment relates to. Please fill out a separate questionnaire form for each element of the plan (i.e. policy, paragraph, site, document) that you wish to comment on.

If comments do not provide a reference, or are submitted on a single form and relate to multiple elements of the Plan, then the Council will assign and/or

separate these points out as it considers most appropriate for submission to the Planning Inspectorate.

You must provide an answer to this question.

Other

If 'other' please explain

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2.

**Do you consider the Local Plan is:**

Please check one.

Select the most applicable option in each row.

	Yes	No
Legally Compliant	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sound	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

3.

**If you checked 'No' to Sound at question 2 above, please confirm below which of the 'tests' the Local Plan fails to meet.**

Please check the relevant box.

- Positively Prepared
- Justified
- Effective
- Consistent with National Policy

4.

**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 (e.g., if objecting on the basis of legal compliance, please quote the specific law that the Local Plan does not comply with). 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.

I object to the STRA2 changes, especially the proposed A38-A516 link road and what it would do to the open countryside between Burnaston and the Pastures.

There doesn't seem to be a clear reason for the road. The A38 is still shown as the main access point, yet this would cut straight through land that currently gives the area its open, rural character and acts as a break between communities. This would effect local wildlife populations which is diverse around the estate including hares, barn owls, bats, deer and birds of prey.

It feels like a permanent change to a landscape that people rely on for separation and openness, without clear evidence that it's needed or that less damaging options have been properly explored. Once it's built, that character is lost and natural green open space and habitats are destroyed.

5.

**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.

The link road should only be included if there is clear, convincing evidence that it is necessary and that other options have been properly tested.

The plan should protect the open land between Burnaston, the Pastures and the new development so it continues to act as a clear countryside buffer and keeps the separate identity of these places.

6.

**If your representation is seeking a modification to the plan, do you consider it necessary to participate in examination hearing session(s)?**

Please check the relevant box

- No, I do not wish to participate in hearing sessions.
- Yes, I wish to participate in hearing sessions.

7.

**If you wish to participate in the hearing session(s), please outline why you consider this to be necessary.**

Please write your answer in the box below.

I would like to attend the hearings because I'm extremely concerned about the justification for the link road and the effect it would have on the local countryside, wildlife, biodiversity, character and the separation between communities. I think this needs proper scrutiny and clear justification.