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## BLANDFORD + NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN 2015-2031

Regulation 16 Consultation 12<sup>th</sup> August to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2016

### Response Form

The proposed Blandford + Neighbourhood Plan 2015-2031 has been submitted to North Dorset District Council for examination. The neighbourhood plan and all supporting documentation can be viewed on the District Council's website via: <https://www.dorsetforyou.com/article/422589/North-Dorset-Neighbourhood-Plans---Submitted-Plans>

**Please return completed forms to:**

Email: [planningpolicy@north-dorset.gov.uk](mailto:planningpolicy@north-dorset.gov.uk)

Post: Planning Policy, North Dorset District Council, Nordon, Salisbury Road, Blandford Forum, Dorset DT11 7LL

**Deadline: Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2016. Representations received after this date will not be accepted.**

### Part A – Personal Details

This part of the form must be completed by all people making representations as **anonymous comments cannot be accepted**. By submitting this response form you consent to your information being disclosed to third parties for this purpose, personal details will not be visible on our website, although they will be shown on paper copies that will be sent to the independent examiner and available for inspection.

\*If an agent is appointed, please complete only the Title, Name and Organisation boxes to the personal details but complete the full contact details of the agent. All correspondence will be sent to the agent.

	Personal Details (if applicable)*	Agent's Details (if applicable)*
Title	Mr	Mr
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Organisation (where relevant)	N/A	
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## Part B – Representation

1. To which document does the comment relate? Please tick one box only.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Submission Plan
<input type="checkbox"/>	Consultation Statement
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Basic Conditions Statement
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other Please specify: <i>Inset Map 1</i>

2. To which part of the document does the comment relate? Please identify the text that you are commenting on, where appropriate.

	Location of Text
Whole document	
Section	
Policy	
Page	
Appendix	

3. Do you wish to? Please tick one box only.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Support
<input type="checkbox"/>	Object
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Make an observation

4. Please use the box below to give reasons for your support/objection or make your observation.

The land indicated in red on the attached copy of the Blandford+ Neighbourhood Plan Inset Map 1 - Submission Plan - June 2016 is available and suitable for mixed residential development consisting of open market and affordable housing.

### Access

This site is well served for vehicles by Tin Pot Lane which currently gives access to Clump Farm Industrial Estate and the top end of The Milldown. This road will eventually experience a reduction in the number of vehicles using it when the access through Blandford Heights Industrial Estate is opened to allow direct vehicle movement from Clump Farm to Shaftesbury Lane. There is sufficient land to enable a footpath to be constructed alongside the carriageway.

### Existing Use

The site is currently used as paddocks by the landowner and incorporates the former site of the town Tip. It is accepted that if the location of the site is considered favourable for development there will be suitable remediation carried out to deal with any potential contamination on this part of the land

### AONB

The site is screened from the AONB by an existing mature tree line along the northwest boundary of the site. The land is not visible from any publically accessible viewpoint in the AONB, apart from a 10m gap in the hedge on the south side of the Blandford Bypass. No pedestrians will be able to see the site from this point and since vehicles are generally passing at high speed, they will not be able to see any development. Furthermore it is viewed against the background of the existing industrial buildings on the Blandford Heights Estate.

**Amenities**

The site is within walking distance of local schools, employment opportunities, shops and amenities of the town centre, Blandford Community Hospital and local bus services on Shaftesbury Lane serving the wider towns and villages.

**Public Open Space**

The land adjoins the top of The Milldown but there are also areas of the site which can be retained for public open space, particularly the small area of woodland at the southwest end.

**Conclusion**

This land is within the Bypass and is entirely sustainable in its location – both in the current context and with regards to future employment and retail development Policies 1 and 2. A residential development of quality design in accordance with The Blandford+ Neighbourhood Design Management Policies to reflect the local character and setting will positively contribute to the community and housing needs in Blandford.

*Continue overleaf if necessary*

**5. Please give details of any suggested modifications in the box below.**

The Blandford+ Neighbourhood Plan should review and promote this land for mixed residential development to support the town's current and future housing needs.

*Continue overleaf if necessary*

**6. Do you wish to be notified of the District Council's decision to make or refuse to make the neighbourhood plan? Please tick one box only.**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes
<input type="checkbox"/>	No

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: 29<sup>th</sup> September 2016

*If submitting the form electronically, no signature is required.*

*Please use this box to continue your responses to Questions 4 & 5 if necessary*