

Welwyn Hatfield Council Draft Local Plan Proposed Pre-Submission

Representation

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PART B

Section 5

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

Paragraph Number:	
Policy Number:	SP 19
Policies Map Number or Inset Map Name:	
Table Number:	
Figure Number:	

Section 6

Do you consider the draft Local Plan is legally compliant?

No response

Section 7

Do you consider the draft Local Plan is sound?

Yes	
No	X

If no, is this because it is NOT (please select all that apply):

Positively prepared	
Justified	X
Effective	
Consistent with national policy	X

Please give details of why you consider the draft Local Plan is sound or unsound. Please be as precise as possible. (Attach supporting documents if necessary.)

Policy SP 19 proposes the creation of a major urban extension to the south east of Welwyn Garden City that would extend into the adjacent district of East Hertfordshire, and include the construction of 2,550 dwellings, of which 1,200 would be in Welwyn Hatfield. All of the land covered by the proposal lies within the Green Belt as defined in the extant Local Plans of the two local planning authorities.

CPRE Hertfordshire considers that this proposal is unsound by virtue of being both unjustified and inconsistent with the policies set out in the NPPF, and in particular paragraphs 14 (on Sustainable development and local plan-making), and 79 to 81 and 83 to 84 (on Green Belt).

Section 8

Please set out the changes you consider necessary to make the draft Local Plan legally compliant or sound including revised wording of any policy or text. Be as precise as possible. (Please note that any non-compliance with the Duty to Co-operate cannot be rectified at the examination.)

You will need to say why the change will make the draft Local Plan legally compliant or sound. (Attach supporting documents if necessary.)

Policy SP 19 should be deleted in its entirety, together with its supporting text.

If your representation is seeking a change, do you consider it necessary to take part and speak at the examination hearing?

No	I do not wish to take part in the examination hearing	
Yes	I wish to take part in the examination hearing if invited to do so by the Inspector	X

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If you wish to take part in the examination hearing, please outline why you consider this to be necessary:

CPRE Hertfordshire wishes to participate because the charity's opinions and evidence on the soundness of the proposals and their consequences, are not addressed by any other interest groups, the local authorities, landowners and developers, or statutory bodies, and believe that they need to be addressed in an Inspector-led discussion of the proposals.

Do you wish to be notified of any of the following? (please select all that apply)

When the Welwyn Hatfield Local Plan has been submitted for independent examination	Yes
When the Inspector's Report of the Welwyn Hatfield Local Plan is published	Yes
Adoption of the Welwyn Hatfield Local Plan	Yes

Signature :



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