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Question 1a	
Do you consider that the Local Plan is Legally compliant?	No
Question 1b	
Do you consider that the Local Plan sound?	No
Question 1c	
Do you consider that the Local Plan complies with the Duty to Cooperate?	No
Question 2	
Do you consider that this part of the Local Plan is unsound because it is not: (tick all that apply)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">. Positively prepared. Effective. Justified. Consistent with national policy
Question 3a	
Your Comments	

Please give details of why you consider that this part of the Local Plan is not legally compliant or unsound or fails to comply with the Duty to Cooperate.

Despite ONS housing calculation being set at 177, the plan employs a much higher figure. (Not sure exactly what it is as there appears to be 2 figures bandied about) There seems to be no evidence forthcoming as to why the further calculation was deemed necessary. The population growth predicted by both DBC and TVCA show only a slow increase in population, needing nowhere near the housing stock proposed. Large estates..so called garden villages also rely on car use, fragmenting towns, and simply becoming urban sprawl with no community. Many of the proposals are utilising green field sites. We have a growing population which has to be fed, once the land is destroyed it will never be reinstated..it is a finite resource. The destruction of skerningham (Darlington's 'jewel in the crown') with its myriad of bio diversity, many species on the red and amber lists would be a travesty..not to mention the health and well-being of the population who use the area. The plan is flawed on so many levels, in this COVID world where so much is changing and will continue to do so, this really needs scrapping and re-examining with realistic figures in the cold light of day.

Climate change is not properly addressed,

Question 4

Changes Sought

Please Note your representation should cover succinctly all the information, evidence and supporting information necessary to support/justify the representation and the suggested change, as there will not normally be a subsequent opportunity to make further representations based on the original representation at publication stage. There is the opportunity to attach Word or PDF files before submitting your comment.

After this stage, further submissions will only be at the request of the Inspector, based on the matters and issues identified for examination.

Please set out what change(s) to the Local Plan you consider necessary to make it legally compliant or sound. You will need to say why this change will make the Plan legally compliant or sound. It will be helpful if you are able to put forward your suggested revised wording for any policy or text.

Re calculation of the housing numbers. Proof of why the ONS figures were disregarded

Re examination of the whole plan with regards to climate change, traffic, health and well-being of the population

Question 5

Attendance at Examination Hearings

If your representation is seeking a change, do you consider it necessary to participate in the examination hearings?

No, I do not wish to participate at the examination hearings

Question 6

Do you request to be notified that the Local Plan has been submitted to the Secretary of State for independent examination under section 22(3) of the regulations and to be notified of the adoption of the Local Plan? Yes, I request to be notified