

## Comment

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<b>Consultation Point</b>	Policy H 1 Housing Requirement (Strategic Policy) ( <a href="#">View</a> )
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<b>Question 1a</b>	
<b>Do you consider that the Local Plan is Legally compliant?</b>	No
<b>Question 1b</b>	
<b>Do you consider that the Local Plan sound?</b>	No
<b>Question 1c</b>	
<b>Do you consider that the Local Plan complies with the Duty to Cooperate?</b>	No
<b>Question 2</b>	
<b>Do you consider that this part of the Local Plan is unsound because it is not: (tick all that apply)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>. Positively prepared</li><li>. Effective</li><li>. Justified</li><li>. Consistent with national policy</li></ul>
<b>Question 3a</b>	
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Darlington does need the number of proposed houses. The government guidance provides a calculation that estimate that Darlington requires 3,476 new houses for the period 2016-2036. The proposed development is for 9,840 dwellings over the same period.

Where will the people come from to live in these new houses, it has recently been on the BBC news that when furlough comes to an end there will people out of work as business have not survived the global pandemic.

Also how will DBC make the building of 3 times the amount houses allowed for by the government guidance to be C02 neutral especially when you are using greenfield sites and removing woodland.

**Question 4**

**Changes Sought**

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The Local Plan needs to be looked at in greater detail again especially taking into account the Covid-10 global pandemic and the affect that this has had on housing needs rather than the 2017 statistics being used.

**Question 5**

**Attendance at Examination Hearings**

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

**Question 6**

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There are 13 Brownfield sites in Darlington which will allow for a minimum of 579 dwellings to be built. Surely it is more environmentally friendly to develop these sites where the infrastructure is already in place than to use greenfield sites. In November 2019 there were also 13 sites but they provided for a minimum of 852, interesting to see the changes in the number of dwelling but not the number of sites.

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More emphasis should be placed on developing the brownfield sites rather than the greenfield sites.

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Skerningham Community Woodland was provided for use to the local community by the use of government grants and will now be given over to members of the golf club to relocate their course which will be detrimental to rest of the community. Access to outside space is beneficial for peoples mental health and physical wellbeing, this has been no more apparent than during the recent Covid-19 pandemic. Loss of greenfield spaces leads not only to the loss of the countryside but also animal habitats and the wildlife.

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The infrastructure needs to be looked at in more detail as it seems roads are being built purely to provide for new housing rather than to assist with current congestion that the town already has.

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