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Question 1

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Question 2

What best describes the nature of your representation? Object

Question 4

Please give details of why you consider the Darlington Local Plan, incorporating the proposed Modifications to which your representation relates, is not legally compliant or is unsound. Please be as precise as possible. If you wish to support the Plan or comment on the Sustainability Appraisal Report Addendum/Habitats Regulations Screening please also use this box to set out your comments.

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- Council studies have shown that there could be an extra 5,437 vehicles per day using the local transport network in Whinfield alone.
- The plan mentions mitigation on Barmpton Lane, Whinbrush Way and Whinfield Road but does not provide any detail on how this will be done.
- Barmpton Lane is the proposed main vehicular access point for the Skertingham Development, parts of which are unsuitable in providing a main access point and no amount of mitigation will be able to improve the layout of the road to safely reduce the impact of this development.

- The national Planning Policy Framework July 2021 para 104 says that transport issues should be considered at the earliest stages of the plan process so that they can be addressed.
- The modified plan does not go far enough in addressing the transport issues which will be created as a result of the Skertingham Garden Village Development.
- The Darlington Northern Link Road was supposed to alleviate existing pressures on the A1150 – this is now not happening, yet those pressures still exist and will be added to from the Skertingham Development. This is not sustainable development.

Question 5

Please set out what changes you consider necessary to make the Plan legally compliant or sound and why, thinking about what you identified in Question 4. It will be helpful if you are able to put forward your suggested revised wording or any policy or text. Please be as precise as possible.

Would recommend that in order to make the Plan sound and legally compliant that the Skertingham Development be removed from the Local Plan altogether.

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Question 1

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Question 4

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- Publicly accessible community woodland, wildlife friendly natural spaces, sport and recreational facilities and allotments already exist in Whinfield and Skerningham – for the community. Why are we destroying some of these existing attributes to make way for a 4,500-housing development which by its very nature will not be able to provide the level of facilities we currently enjoy? Instead, it will all be part of one big housing estate!

-This is not consistent with either the Healthy New Town or garden Communities principles or objectives.

Question 5

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I would therefore recommend that in order to make the Plan sound and legally compliant that the Skerningham Development be removed from the Local Plan altogether.