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Question 1

Which document/modification does this representation relate to? Main Modification Schedule *

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Question 2

What best describes the nature of your representation? Object

Question 3 Legally Compliant and Sound

Do you consider the Plan, incorporating the proposed Modification is Legally Compliant? No

Do you consider the Plan, incorporating the proposed Modification is Sound? No

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.

I believe that any intended upgrade to Barmpton Lane together with the suggested upgrade to the junction with Whinbush Way to facilitate access of additional traffic for the proposed Skerningham development would be totally impracticable and undeliverable due to the existing layout of housing in both locations. The implication that Barmpton lane could be used as an access route to the proposed development prior to the building of between 200 and 450 additional homes in the area is totally unrealistic and could result in safety issues from increased traffic levels for existing local residents.

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.

A completely new access road would be needed to be built prior to any proposed development to facilitate the increase in the volume of traffic.

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Question 1

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I am concerned that the Skertingham development would have a serious and damaging effect on the Skertingham plantation which I believe is a local nature reserve and ancient woodland that the people of Darlington can enjoy at their leisure. Often when large developments are proposed the smaller yet significant issues for peoples enjoyment and wellbeing are often overlooked or overruled by those in authority. The recent COP 26 conference indicated the need to preserve and protect our environment and I feel that the protection of areas such as Skertingham Plantation are of vital importance to this cause.

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The Skertingham development be at best removed from the Local Plan or at least significantly scaled back.