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Question 1

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

*** Please provide the reference number (where applicable), for example MM1, PM1, MIN1** MM 191 - Paragraph C

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 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.

As a concerned local resident, I wish to object to the striking off of Paragraph C of (ref no) MM191, Site 403 from the main modification schedule :

" C. the site is designated a Local Wildlife site, contains habitat and any development should provide mitigation. "

This is unsound , as site 403 is a biodiverse local wildlife site, and its removal (MM191) does not tally with DBC's Local Plan Policy : ENVIRONMENT p121, paragraph D : Local Nature Reserves and Local Wildlife sites.

The site is used by great crested newts (which are protected by law and endangered) and numerous other species; therefore there should be NO development here!

Established biodiverse areas CANNOT be replaced with new landscaped areas with a few trees begrudgingly planted instead. It takes years off of nature's clock. We haven't got years, nature needs our protection now!

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.

No Response