Draft Local Plan Consultation

We are preparing a new Local Plan which will guide development in the district up to 2032. The Draft Local Plan contains planning policies and site allocations, including where new housing and employment development will take place.

You can find all supporting information to this consultation online via www.hart.gov.uk/draft-local-plan or hard copies of the consultation documents are available to view at the Hart District Council Offices, Town and parish council offices and public libraries across the district.

All valid comments (electronic or written) and the name(s) of the respondent will be made publically available. Personal contact details will remain confidential.

We encourage you to respond to our Draft Local Plan consultation using our online form available at www.hart.gov.uk/draft-local-plan-consultation. However if you wish, you can use this word version of the response form and email to planningpolicy@hart.gov.uk or post to Planning Policy, Hart District Council, Harlington Way, Fleet, GU51 4AE.

This form contains two comments sections. If you wish to make more than two comments please copy and paste the boxes as required.

All comments must be submitted no later than 5pm on Friday 9 June.

* Indicates a required field.

Response form

Are you a: *

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Name* G J Lambert
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Comment 1

Please indicate the document and specific page, section or policy and paragraph you are commenting on:

☑ Draft Local Plan: Strategy and Sites
☐ Sustainability Appraisal

Page number/s:* 9

Section/Policy number:* 'Evidence base'

Paragraph: 7
Do you support, oppose or have general comments about this part of the document? *
☐ Support
☐ Oppose
✓ Comment

Please provide your comments below: *

It is not possible to determine if the evidence base is up to date. For instance, although the Plan does mention elsewhere office conversions in Hook, it does not quantify the large number of extra households involved. If these numbers are not included in the Plan then any studies assessing the needs in Hook (services, infrastructure, etc) will all be large underestimates and of no practical use.

Do you wish to comment on another part of the consultation? *
✓ Yes
☐ No

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Comment 2

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Page number/s:* 21-22

Section/Policy number:* Identifying the Key Issues for the Hart Local Plan: 'Strategy and Sites'

Paragraph: 73

Do you support, oppose or have general comments about this part of the document? *
☐ Support
☐ Oppose
✓ Comment
Please provide your comments below: *

Key Issues bullet 4: Although identified as a key issue there is no strategy in the Plan for Hook and it would seem that perhaps the Hook Neighbourhood Plan is expected to cover these aspects. When the actual level of development already known for Hook is added to the proposed numbers in the Local Plan and the implications of supporting Murrell Green infrastructure and services it is unreasonable to expect Hook alone to tackle these major issues. Hart should be driving much of the Hook strategy details.

Do you wish to comment on another part of the consultation? *

☑ Yes
☐ No

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Comment 3

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☐ Sustainability Appraisal

Page number/s:* 25

Section/Policy number:* Our Local Plan Objectives

Paragraph: 77

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☐ Support
☐ Oppose
☑ Comment

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Bullet 2: How did Murrell Green appear in the Local Plan. There is no rationale provided to explain why the previous consultation which identified Winchfield for a new settlement (not 'in the Winchfield area' as mentioned elsewhere in this Plan) has suddenly been replaced by a proposed new settlement in a totally different place. This does not give confidence that the public are being fully informed in the decision making process.
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☑ Yes
☐ No

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☐ Support
☐ Oppose
☑ Comment

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Bullet 6: Again the Plan does not provide any ideas how the infrastructure, services and transport will be funded or enhanced to support the Plan proposals. This raises major concerns that housing will just be built and little else will be provided to support the projected expansion.

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☑ Yes
☐ No

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Comment 5

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Page number/s:* 40

Section/Policy number:* Town Centres and Shopping

Paragraph: 134

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☑ Comment

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The Local Plan does not indicate how these ‘distributed’ services can be regulated nor does it consider the extra volume of traffic on the A30 to make use of such dispersed services in addition to the potentially large increase in local traffic due to the housing developments.

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☑ Yes
☐ No

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☐ Comment

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Table 6: Shows 87 houses are to be allocated through the Hook Neighbourhood Plan. Why is Hook expected to allocate yet more housing on top of the massive expansion already in progress. In addition the Local Plan proposes the use of land off Hop Garden which has already had planning applications and appeals refused, so this site should not even be considered.

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☑ Yes
☐ No

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Comment 7

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Page number/s: * 84

Section/Policy number: * Safeguarding employment/ Policy ED2

Paragraph: 273

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☐ Support
Oppose

Please provide your comments below: *

1 Strategic Employment Areas: This is inconsistent with Local Plan para 126. Also it is well known that many, if not all, of the offices at Bartley Wood, Hook and Bartley Point Hook sites are currently being converted to residential use under the prior approval process. Why are they identified in the Plan as 'strategic employment sites to be protected' when there has been no attempt by Hart to protect these sites. Shortly it is likely there will be no employment on these sites and Hook will just become a large 'dormitory town' and no longer the vibrant village that is meant to be an objective of the Plan.

Do you wish to comment on another part of the consultation? *

Yes
No

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Comment 8

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Sustainability Appraisal

Page number/s:* 89

Section/Policy number:* The District’s Retail Centres/ Policy ED4

Paragraph: 291

Do you support, oppose or have general comments about this part of the document?*

Support
Oppose
Comment

Please provide your comments below: *
There is no indication that Hart have any strategy to make this happen, except to delegate all responsibility to (e.g.) the Hook Neighbourhood Plan. Hart should be leading these issues as part of the overall strategy.

Do you wish to comment on another part of the consultation? *

☑ Yes
☐ No

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Comment 9

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Page number/s:* 93

Section/Policy number:* District Centres/ Hook

Paragraph: 313

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☐ Support
☐ Oppose
☑ Comment

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Why does the study indicate a small requirement when there is a quite an extensive list of likely floorspace needs. What is the detail of this 'small' requirement and what level of housing does the study assume for Hook. Does the study ignore the current major housing developments in Hook (including prior approval process homes not specified in the Plan). It is nonsense that such major issues for Hook are relegated to the Hook Neighbourhood Plan when current Hook expansion is likely to be in excess of that for Murrell Green. Hart should be assisting by developing a strategy for the services and infrastructure enhancement to support such a massive expansion in a similar way to that for Murrell Green. If Hart has already undertaking such studies then why is it required that the Hook Neighbourhood Plan must redefine the District Centre as a totally separate exercise.
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Page number/s:* 15

Section/Policy number:* Targeted discussion at workshops

Paragraph: 6.4.13

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☐ Support
☐ Oppose
☑ Comment

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Workshops 2 - 4: Conclusion should be that Hart must provide a strategy for traffic management improvements within the Hook area due to the major housing developments (including office conversions) in the area.

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☐ No

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Comment 11

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Page number/s:* 52

Section/Policy number:* Water

Paragraph: 10.12.2

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☐ Support  
☐ Oppose  
☑ Comment

Please provide your comments below: *

The River Whitewater has already caused issues for Hook so no new discharges should be permitted from the Murrell Green site

Do you wish to comment on another part of the consultation? *

☐ Yes  
☑ No

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Other Mixed background

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Indian
Pakistani
Chinese
Other Asian background

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Caribbean
Other Black background

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What is your gender?
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In which age category are you?
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18 – 24
25 – 34
35 – 44
Thank you for completing this form.

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