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# Gosport Local Plan 2011-2029 Publication Version Response Form

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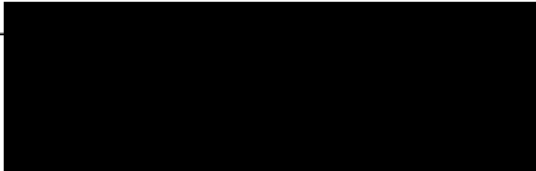
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If you would like to discuss any element of the consultation documents further then please telephone: Planning Policy **023 9254 5228**

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**All comments and completed forms should be returned by  
22nd September 2014**

Completed forms can be submitted here or emailed to [planning.policy@gosport.gov.uk](mailto:planning.policy@gosport.gov.uk) or by post to

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Council Town Hall  
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If you would like to make another representation on the GBC Local Plan 2011 - 2029 Publication Version, please click the Save as button to save the current representation or Submit.

You may then use the Clear form button to start a new representation.



Paper copies of the response form are available from the Council's website, in the libraries and at the Town Hall (3rd floor reception).

Comments will be considered by an inspector approved by the Secretary of State who will hold an examination into the local plan in terms of its legal compliance and 'Soundness'.

Further information on these terms is contained in the [Council's Guidance Notes](#) for making representations. Comments should focus on matters of soundness. These are defined in the National Planning Policy Framework and are reproduced below.

**Positively prepared** - the plan should be prepared based on a strategy which seeks to meet objectively assessed development and infrastructure requirements, including unmet requirements from neighbouring authorities where it is reasonable to do so and consistent with achieving sustainable development;

**Justified** - the plan should be the most appropriate strategy, when considered against the reasonable alternatives, based on proportionate evidence;

**Effective** - the plan should be deliverable over its period and based on effective joint working on cross boundary strategic priorities; and

**Consistent with National policy** - the plan should enable the delivery of sustainable development in accordance with the policies in the Framework.

1. To which part of the Local Plan does this representation relate?

|          |   |           |                      |        |  |
|----------|---|-----------|----------------------|--------|--|
| Chapter  | <input type="text" value="Regenerating Gosport"/> | Paragraph | <input type="text"/> | Policy | <input type="text" value="LP8: Alver Valley"/> |
| Policies | <input type="text"/>                              |           |                      |        |  |
| Map      |   |           |                      |        |  |

If you would like to make further comments on the GBC Local Plan 2011 - 2029 Publication Version, please use a separate form for each representation you wish to make.

2. Please indicate under what grounds you wish to submit your representation

- 2a Support  
*(if you have entered Support, please continue to Q8.*
- 2b Not Legally Compliant
- 2c Not Sound

3. If you consider the Local Plan is not sound, please identify which tests of soundness your response relates?

- 3a Positively prepared
- 3b Justified
- 3c Effective
- 3d Consistent with National Policy

4. Please give details of why you consider the Local Plan is not legally compliant or not sound?  
*(please be as precise as possible)*

5. Please set out what change(s) you consider necessary to make the Local Plan legally compliant or sound, with reference to the answer you have identified in Q3.  
You will need to say why this change will make the Local Plan sound.

6. If your representation is seeking a change, can your representation be considered by written representations or do you consider it necessary to participate at the oral part of the Examination?
- No I do not wish to participate in the examination hearings
- Yes I do wish to participate in the examination hearings

7. If you wish to participate, please outline why you consider it necessary.  
*(please note the Inspector will determine the most appropriate procedure to adopt to hear those who have indicated that they wish to participate at the oral part of the examination).*

8. If you wish to support the legal compliance or soundness of the Local Plan please use the space below to provide detailed comments.

The Environment Agency are very supportive of this policy for the Alver Valley. We are especially pleased to see the consideration of flood risk (3.g), contamination (3.h), infrastructure (3.j) and biodiversity (3.a) within the policy.

We welcome the wording and strongly agree that the Alver Valley is a major asset for the borough that can provide multifunctional benefits to the area.

We especially support the reference to the Water Framework Directive (WFD) in Section 3.i) of the policy and Section 7.190 of the justifying text. This will help ensure that there is no deterioration in the water quality of any waterbody.

We endorse the proposed creation of the Country Park and agree that this provides the opportunities to connect this open space with other strategic open spaces in the area.

We are pleased to see reference is made to both the Solent Disturbance and Mitigation Project and the recognition of the Alver Valley as being of sub-regional significance.

9. Do you wish to be notified at the address/email stated on page 1 of any of the following:
- |   |   |
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| a. That the Local Plan has been submitted for independent examination | <i>please tick</i><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b. The Inspector's report has been published                          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                       |
| c. The adoption of the Local Plan                                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                       |

Thank you for filling in this form please return to Page 1 to Submit and/or make another representation

