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# Your representation (1)

The draft Gosport Borough Local Plan 2038 contains a vision, objectives and policies with explanation text. Please use the boxes below to let us know what you are commenting on and whether you support or object along with your comments.

Paragraph/Policy Number: D1 Support or Object? Support

Please summarise why: Whilst this policy is supported, if the council doesn't approach the required changes positively much of what is suggested won't be achieved. Climate change [season changes] is nothing new and has occured in the past and much of the rhetoric surrounding globle warming is unfounded. That said, if we are serious about reducing carbon footprints then there has to be concerted effort placed on making alternatives work. Much is made of over use of cars but unless public transport is improved, with better services provided with routes that go to where poeple need to go [work / shopping] and the cost of public transport is greatly reduced then it won't not work. There will always be a need to travel and it is this that needs addressed, however the government strategy is to price workers out of their cars without providing an alternative, public transport, alternative. If council is not prepared to address this then the initiative will fail.

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Your representation (2)

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Paragraph/Policy Number: D2 Support or Object? Support

Please summarise why: Again supported. There is a need for new houses and it is right that brownfield sites are developed, of which there a many in the Gosport area, along with existing, older properties that could be refurbished and brought up to present/future specification. The use of brownfield sites is often cited by councils but all to often, and at the last minute, planning is given to build on greenfield sites, indeed the government has just had a change of heart on this saying that greenfield sites 'should not' be used; note the term 'should not' as opposed to 'is not to'. Houses are needed, as are job opporunities, but Gosport is a peninsula and due diligence is needed at the development stage to ensure road access is factored in; businesses are not going to invest in the area if access is conjested.

If you have no more representations to add, please select this box Your representation (3)

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Paragraph/Policy Number: D3 Support or Object? Support

Please summarise why: Supported. There is a need for regenerating Gosport that has been left to become a sad, rundown town over many years, indeed for the whole of the conservative tenure and the libdems before them. The downturn of Gosport is a direct result of businesses being force out of towncentres by high rates, forcing them into out of town retail parks, and the pedestrianisation of the high street; voted through by councilors who did not listen to those who know better. That said, regeneration is needed and must be done to a high standard and not half hearted as is often the case. The waterfront is, to a degree, a waste of money as the existing bus terminal/taxi rank would still be fit for purpose had it been maintained but this of course is beyond councilors who, when the public toilets became blocked it was far easier to shut then down rather than fix the problem, and placed portaloos at the entry/exit point to the ferry; a most welcoming sight for visiters coming across from Portsmouth! Any regeneration done must have a year on year budget to maintain it to a high standard otherwise it will just degenerate into the same sorry state as the present waterfront. Whilst the areas nominated are in need of regeneration, there are many other areas of Gosport that have been left to decay that too need to be looked at.

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Your representation (4)

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Paragraph/Policy Number: D4 Support or Object? Support

Please summarise why: Support. We need to keep our green spaces but I am concerned at the statement at D4.3 which says that this is dependent on development needs which brings me to the pointless Newgate Lane Mk2 that was only developed in advance of building houses on the 2 adjacent greenfields; there was nothing wrong with the existing road that has now been replaced by a highly congested road purely down to its design. Green areas need to be maintained, such as green verges [D4.1] found on each side of the road where I live. Its upkeep consistes of a motorised cut periodically with the grass left where it is, followed [not necessarily on the same day] by someone who blows the grass everywhere. The verges are never trimmed but allowed to grow over onto the pavement; this is not maintenance. There should already be flood defences in place and regularly revisited to ensure they remain fit for purpose; another public sector too little too late trait.

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### Your representation (5)

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Paragraph/Policy Number: D5 Support or Object? Support

Please summarise why: Support. Whilst it is important to support/maintain Local Ecological, this policy is ambitious and has some interesting, to say the least, hypothesis. Interested in how 100L of water a day can be enforced other than making it a absolute offence; interesting income generating scheme though! That said, the content in box 4 should already, to a degree, be happening; is this another case of councillors putting things on the back burner as being all too difficult?

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#### Your representation (6)

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Paragraph/Policy Number: D6 Support or Object? Support

Please summarise why: Support. It is very important to maintain open spaces and as the policy states, Gosport has a number of such spaces that have not been fully utilised in the past; something the council took no interest in. That said, Covid-19 should not be used to shoehorn in initiatives at the expense of motorists. Whilst the policy does not specifically mention this, it should be remembered that most of those initiatives to provide cycle lanes at the first lockdown by restricting road widths at great expense to the tax payer, failed and had to be reversed at a greater cost. This initiative needs to be well thought through as there are already a number of cycle lanes which are not used, causing major problems for motorists by cyclists who do not know, or choose to ignore, the highway code when cycling on the road. This of course is also true of pedestrians who can now just step out onto the road without regard to the motorist as decreed by government; what ever happened to the green cross road? I wonder how many people realised that there were more pages in the highway code dedicated to the conduct of pedestrians using the roads than for motorists. This policy needs to be well though through before being implemented. The other side of this initiative is of course getting people to use the facilities. Encouraging people to use them, spending money at the garden centre and Alver Valley cafe

may well be counter-productive if costs, particularly parking fees, are too high; it should not be treated as an income generating exercise as it will back fire and people will not come.

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#### Your representation (7)

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Paragraph/Policy Number: D7
Support or Object? Support

Please summarise why: Support. As previously stated, this should already be in place but it is obvious only lip service is given. Much of the flooding we see is preventable if drains were properly maintained/cleaned and rivers dredged, 2 of the causes mentioned in the policy. The recent flooding in Lees Lane was a direct result of blocked drains, not necessarily excess water and floods caused by rivers overflowing is down to silt build up. Those who know have been saying this for years but the environment agency, text book taught, know otherwise. Trust me, when silt/mud reduces the depth of a river bed the water has only one place to go, over the banks; experience not text books! Drains are the responsibility of the water companies and they are not doing their job but of course no-one is holding them to account; council responsible for enforcing both. Coastal erosion is a national responsibility which both councils and government have been ignoring for years; time to do something about it!

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# Your representation (8)

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Paragraph/Policy Number: D8
Support or Object? Support

Please summarise why: Support. Should already be in place. Caution required here not to be too PC., need to let people grow up in a real world. All well and good creating well designed cycle and pedestrian routes and the use of Travel Plans? whatever that is, but without an affordable, reliable and frequent public transport system it just isn't going to work; people are not going to cycle or walk miles to work then put in an 8 hour shift and do the same home again. It's unrealistic and typically public sector 'good idea club' stuff.

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#### Your representation (9)

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Paragraph/Policy Number: D9

Support or Object? Support

Please summarise why: Support. Whatever, I suppose it'll make the councilors feel important but probably a waste of the extra sheets of paper but really it's just words that have already been said.

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# Your representation (10)

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Paragraph/Policy Number: D10 Support or Object? Support

Please summarise why: Support. Gosport always has been, just that the council failed to recognise it.

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#### Your representation (11)

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Paragraph/Policy Number: D11 Support or Object? Support

Please summarise why: Support. Covers what has already been mentioned however I note that there is no explanation on who the council is going to ensure public transport is fit for purposes in the following areas; it is affordable, more direct routes, more routes to places people need to get to, more frequent and a shift to hail and ride. An example of where public transport fails is the one service that can take you to the Daedalus site that is not direct and is indeed the Gosport to Southampton [via Fareham] bus so not a local public transport service. There are a significant number of businesses at the site, including Fareham collage, and there is only one way to get there and that is by car. Too late to be thinking of doing this sometime in the future, the public transport infrastructure was needed yesterday.

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# Your representation (12)

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Paragraph/Policy Number: D12 Support or Object? Support

Please summarise why: Support. Public transport a priority.

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Your representation (13)

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Paragraph/Policy Number: SS1 Support or Object? Support

Please summarise why: Support. All of this should have been done years ago. Gosport waterfront is an embarrassment which has been left to deteriorate over many years of neglect. RCY has been in the council hands for years and it has done little with it; missed opportunity. Whilst there are a few facilities it failed to attract businesses to the site that has so much more to offer; let's hope it makes a better go of the Haslar site.

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Your representation (14)

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Paragraph/Policy Number: SS2 Support or Object? Support

Please summarise why: Support. Lot of proposed building going on here. Congestion needs to be managed, ensuring road access and public transport is in place. Has provision for replacing lorry parking in place and where?

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Your representation (15)

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Paragraph/Policy Number: SS3 Support or Object? Support

Please summarise why: Support. What town centre? Whilst this is a bold idea, will the council be able to carry it off? Might I suggest seeing as the council has this ambitious vision for Gosport's future it would be better to retain the police station and get a police presence back in the town considering the major drug dealing problem it has? A broom cupboard in town hall manned for a few hours a week does not constitute a police presence.

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Your representation (16)

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Paragraph/Policy Number: SS4 Support or Object? Support

Please summarise why: Support. Only observation is whether the road infrastructure and public transport can cope

with all this development, particularly the number of houses being suggested.

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#### Your representation (17)

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Paragraph/Policy Number: SS5 Support or Object? Support

Please summarise why: Support. Infrastructure - roads / public transport.

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#### Your representation (18)

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Paragraph/Policy Number: SS6 Support or Object? Support

Please summarise why: Support. Infrastructure - roads / public transport.

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# Your representation (19)

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Paragraph/Policy Number: SS7 Support or Object? Support

Please summarise why: Support. Infrastructure - roads / public transport.

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#### Your representation (20)

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Paragraph/Policy Number: SS8 Support or Object? Support

Please summarise why: Support. Infrastructure - roads / public transport.

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#### Your representation (21)

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Paragraph/Policy Number: SS9 Support or Object? Support

Please summarise why: Support. Infrastructure - roads / public transport.

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# Your representation (22)

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Paragraph/Policy Number: SS10 Support or Object? Support

Please summarise why: Support. A big IF re Sultan and suggest it will remain. That said the biggest issue here is infrastructure - roads / public transport. The site is large and has great potential but this won't be realised if businesses find it difficult to get in and out of Gosport and that is the biggest obstacle to overcome. As previously stated, Gosport is a peninsula and to realise this vision the road infrastructure needs to be well thought through and cannot be resolved simply by the council saying this is how it's going to be; as with most, if not all, decisions made by councilors, it will destine to fail with the public [ratepayer] having to live with the created mess.

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#### Your representation (23)

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Paragraph/Policy Number: SS11 Support or Object? Support

Please summarise why: Support. For this vision to succeed, due diligence is required for public transport. A good, frequent and direct service is required from both sides of the Gosport peninsula to take workers/students/trainees direct to the site. The same applies for Fareham and indeed other areas. For this to work, innovation is necessary by both the council and transport companies to revolutionise the outdated attitude towards public transport, and make it fit for purpose for the 21st century; flexible, frequent, affordable.

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#### Your representation (24)

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Paragraph/Policy Number: A1 to A6

Support or Object? Support Please summarise why: Support.

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### Your representation (25)

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Paragraph/Policy Number: H1 to H5

Support or Object? Support Please summarise why: Support

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# Your representation (26)

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Paragraph/Policy Number: E1 to E5

Support or Object? Support Please summarise why: Support

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#### Your representation (27)

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Paragraph/Policy Number: DE1 to DE4

Support or Object? Support Please summarise why: Support.

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#### Your representation (28)

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Paragraph/Policy Number: C1 to C6

Support or Object? Support Please summarise why: Support.

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# Your representation (29)

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Paragraph/Policy Number: LE1 to LE14

Support or Object? Support Please summarise why: Support.

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### Your representation (30)

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Paragraph/Policy Number:

Support or Object?

Please summarise why:

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