

Your Response

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b. Updated Additional Sustainability Appraisal of the Draft Shropshire Local Plan Report.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Q2. To which paragraph(s) of the document(s) does this response relate?

Paragraph(s):

12.1 – 12.3

Table 12.4

Appendix 3 (updated stage 3 site assessment)

Q3. Do you consider the document(s) are:

- A. Legally compliant Yes: No:
- B. Sound Yes: No:



**Q4. Please detail your comments on the specified document(s).
Please be as precise as possible.**

Introduction

[redacted] in a wonderfully safe, close-knit rural community, surrounded by beautiful countryside, quiet lanes and productive farmland. My love of walking, nature and the natural environment, together with the privilege of being part of such a friendly inclusive community are the things that firmly keep us here, and I am passionate about preserving village life and rural communities.

"We won't have a society if we destroy the environment" - *Margaret Mead*.

The above sentiment is why I was interested in viewing our local plan.

Having looked at the Draft Shropshire Local Plan I am very much in support of it on account of the following points:

Additional sustainability

- I agree with the location of the sites identified in Shropshire for the Black Country housing need as they do not appear to have a detrimental impact on their respective local communities.
- The planned sites for future building in Albrighton (ALB017) and (ALB021) are also well located as to not have a negative effect on the fabric of the village and are proportionate to the village size and infrastructure. Because of their location on the edge of the village nearest to the A41 the increase in traffic should not impact on the high street, thus negating concerns regarding, noise, safety and pollution.
- The land 'safeguarded' for beyond 2038 I would also deem as reasonable for the aforementioned reasons.
- Shropshire Council shares my view that Green Belt and important agricultural land should NOT be built on when there are more suitable and sustainable sites available.



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Paragraph(s):

7.63 – 7.64

Table 8.1

Paragraphs 8.7 – 8.8

Paragraphs 16.64

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Housing and Employment

- Shropshire council believe that any building on green fields or Greenbelt proposed by developers and which is NOT included in the Local Plan should be rejected. In the case of Albrighton this is particularly pertinent as the village currently has in excess of 500 new houses either already existing or proposed for future, which I feel is a very generous contribution in response to the National Planning Policy Framework.
- I am wholly opposed to any building including large commercial developments in green spaces and on Greenbelt surrounding the village as these often only supply short-term employment and/ or employment for people outside of the village. Both during the construction phase and after completion, traffic, noise and pollution are of grave concern, particularly if a secondary school is part of the developers plan as children would need to be transported in from outlying areas, either by parents or coach. The road safety within the village would be compromised and the calm, surrounding green spaces would be lost forever. Shropshire Council recognise this and therefore are against such developments.

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Paragraph(s):	4.14 – 4.21
	5.24 – 5.27
	6.4 – 6.8
	6.13

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Green Belt

- The attraction of the village, which makes it a rural idyll, is that it is encompassed within beautiful greenbelt land and conservation areas. The agricultural land is sustainably farmed with an award winning ethos of regeneration and improved biodiversity, which is evident when I walk daily with my dog within the Albrighton greenbelt. Shropshire Council have clearly been sensitive to the preservation and protection of this valuable asset to the village, its residents and indeed the wider community at a time when UK agriculture and food production are at crisis point.
- By approaching current and long-term development in a measured way i.e. identifying suitable sites in Shropshire and allowing proportionate housing growth within Albrighton, together with safeguarding land for use after 2038, I am reassured that Shropshire Council understand that our settlement is not JUST a village but a community and a 'way of life' which exists because of its current size, personal feel, embracing culture and familiarity for the residents. In my opinion this would be irreparably diluted and destroyed by overdevelopment.
- It is recognised by Shropshire Council that building on Albrighton's greenbelt would not only be detrimental to the environment and agriculture but to the health and well being of its residents. On a personal note being surrounded by nature and beautiful countryside is the greatest asset of living here and it has shaped the lives of my family in a manner that would not have been possible in an urban setting or if overdevelopment was permitted. I feel that I have a duty to be a custodian of the village so that its character, strong sense of community and rural charm is preserved and the Shropshire plan is a vital tool in facilitating this goal.

I therefore urge you to consider my response and sincerely hope that the Draft Shropshire Local Plan, which I fully support, is approved.

Many thanks

Please succinctly provide all necessary evidence and information to support your response. After this stage, further submissions may only be made if invited by the Planning Inspectors, based on the matters and issues identified for examination.

Q5. Do you consider it necessary to participate in relevant examination hearing session(s)?

Please note: This response provides an initial indication of your wish to participate in relevant hearing session(s). You may be asked to confirm your request to participate.

No, I do not wish to/consider it necessary to participate in hearing session(s)

Yes, I consider it is necessary/wish to participate in hearing session(s)

The Inspectors will determine the most appropriate procedure to consider comments made during this consultation.