

## Part B: Your Response

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### Q1. To which document(s) does this response relate?

<b>a. Draft policy on Housing Provision for Older People and those with Disabilities and Special Needs and its explanation.</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>b. Updated Additional Sustainability Appraisal of the Draft Shropshire Local Plan Report.</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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<b>d. Updated Green Belt Topic Paper.</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Q2. To which paragraph(s) of the document(s) does this response relate?

Paragraph(s):	16.64, 16.65
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### 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.**

As a long-standing resident of Albrighton, I acknowledge the need to meet housing demands. However, it is essential to balance this with the need to protect Albrighton from overdevelopment. The insights provided in paragraphs 16.64 and 16.65 of the Housing & Employment Topic Paper, which emphasize Albrighton's unique constraints and the necessity of preserving its Green Belt, are crucial. These protections are vital for maintaining the village's character and ensuring sustainable growth.

Albrighton's status as a Key Centre, while functionally more like a larger village, underscores the need for meticulous development planning. The constraints related to its conservation areas, the proximity to RAF Cosford, and the barriers created by the A41 and the railway line must be carefully considered. Any increase in housing must not undermine these critical elements that define Albrighton's identity.

I am pleased that the plan recognizes Albrighton's limited capacity for significant new development, particularly in terms of additional employment land needs. This approach aligns with community concerns about maintaining the village's character and preventing overdevelopment.

I urge the Council to continue considering these factors and encourage transparent community engagement throughout the planning process to safeguard Albrighton's integrity and quality of life.

*(Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)*

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Paragraph(s):	Table 4.1, 5.4, 5.23-5.27, 6.5, 6.6, 6.12, 7.1
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I moved to Albrighton      years ago, married & raised a family here. I live      Albrighton therefore wanted to ensure to respond to the examination of the local plan documents to ensure Albrighton residents are heard.

I am encouraged by the detailed analysis of the Green Belt land parcels around Albrighton. It is reassuring to see the commitment to protecting the Green Belt land surrounding Albrighton, emphasizing its permanence and resisting future urban sprawl or urbanization.

I find that Shropshire Council has effectively responded to the Planning Inspector's requirement to provide evidence for the assessment and allocation of 1,500 dwellings needed for the unmet Black Country requirement, as outlined in Table 4.1. I am pleased that no additional Green Belt land has been designated for these dwellings.

I support paragraph 5.4, which rightly states that no exceptional circumstances exist to justify the removal of RAF Cosford from the Green Belt. Shropshire Council has clearly considered alternative locations for future housing needs and has identified site allocations in Albrighton that safeguard the existing Green Belt land.

I strongly agree with paragraphs 5.23-5.27 and 6.5. Although I would prefer no land be removed from the Green Belt, I agree with Shropshire Council's findings that some safeguarded land, such as ALB017 and ALB021 in Albrighton, should be removed from the Green Belt for future development. This land should only be developed once allocated within a future Local Plan to meet Shropshire's housing needs.

I fully endorse paragraph 6.6, which clarifies that no further land should be removed from the Green Belt in Albrighton. The three safeguarded areas identified provide for Albrighton's growth beyond the plan period, making any speculative development on other Green Belt land around Albrighton unacceptable. Protecting the Green Belt is essential.

Paragraphs 6.12 and 7.1 highlight that other locations are better suited than Albrighton for meeting the unmet needs of the Black Country. Albrighton is unlikely to contribute significantly to these needs, and any future speculative development using this argument should be refused. The Local Plan findings should be upheld, especially since the only other viable land has already been safeguarded, preventing further Green Belt land from being used for urbanization.

The careful consideration given to sustainable future growth for Albrighton, ensuring the Green Belt boundary remains unchanged at the end of the plan period, is greatly appreciated. It is vital to recognize the harm caused by removing additional land from the Green Belt.

Preserving our Green Belt lands is crucial for controlling urban sprawl, protecting village boundaries, and maintaining green spaces. This preservation is vital for protecting ecosystems, supporting agriculture, safeguarding the historical and unique character of our rural community

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