



Consultation Response Form

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This response contains pages including this one.

Please tick the box if you would like us to notify you when the Land Allocations Development Plan Document is submitted to the Secretary of State for independent examination and when it is adopted by the Council.

Land Allocations - Further Consultation

Please use this form to comment on:

1. Alternative sites put forward by respondents to the earlier Land Allocations consultation (January - April 2011);
2. Time span of the Land Allocations document
3. The approach to development in small villages, hamlets and the countryside.

Please complete one of these sheets for every response you make.

(Please also note that comments made in earlier consultation need not be repeated.)

1. Alternative Sites

Please let us have your views on alternative sites suggested by respondents to the previous consultation. (Please note, these are not SLDC suggestions.)

Which site do you wish to comment on?		
Settlement (e.g. Natland)	Site reference number (e.g. RN298#)	
Greenodd & Penny Bridge	RN236#.	
Please indicate below whether you support, support in part or oppose the suggestion that this site be included in the Land Allocations document (please tick as appropriate)		
Support <input type="checkbox"/>	Support in part <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Oppose <input type="checkbox"/>
Please explain your reasons/add your comments below (continue on a separate sheet/expand box if necessary)		
<p>Planning Policy Statement 9 states “ Networks of natural habitats provide a valuable resource. They can link sites of biodiversity and provide routes or stepping stones for the migration, dispersal and genetic exchange of species in the wider environment. Local authorities should aim to maintain networks by avoiding or repairing the fragmentation and isolation of natural habitats through policies in plans. Such networks should be protected from development, and, where possible, strengthened by or integrated within it. This may be done as part of a wider strategy for the protection and extension of open space and access routes such as canals and rivers, including those within urban areas.”</p> <p>Protection of woodland should be ensured through the Local Development Framework at the earliest stage and incorporated into any development plans to help maintain and link biodiversity. The site above contains woodland which will be threatened by the proposed developments. This may be through direct woodland loss or detrimental edge-effects, such as changes in microclimate (e.g. temperature, humidity, light) as a result of development, penetrate woodland. It is known that these changes can extend up to three times the canopy height in from the forest edges.</p>		

There should be no net loss of woodland to ensure that ecological networks are maintained and enhanced. Buffer zones are therefore essential to reduce the impact of damaging edge effects and ensure that their sustainability is to be improved.

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Kendal SE	MN22#

Please indicate below whether you support, support in part or oppose the suggestion that this site be included in the Land Allocations document (please tick as appropriate)

Support <input type="checkbox"/>	Support in part <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Oppose <input type="checkbox"/>
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2. Time Span of Land Allocations Document:

Should the Land Allocations document plan period remain 2003 – 2025 or cover a shorter period, for example, 2003-2020?

Please indicate whether you support, support in part or oppose a reduction in the time span of the Land Allocations document (please tick as appropriate)

Support

Support in part

Oppose

Please explain your reasons/add your comments below (continue on a separate sheet/expand box if necessary)

3. Small Villages, Hamlets & Open Countryside

Do you think the future housing and employment land needs of small villages, hamlets and open countryside are best met by: -

- A. Allocating sites for houses and employment in the Land Allocations document; or
- B. Communities and/or developers bringing forward sites for housing and employment for consideration under relevant Core Strategy policies, through neighbourhood plans and/or other local initiatives.

Please indicate which of the above options you would support. (Please tick as appropriate)

A

B

Please explain your reasons/add your comments below (continue on a separate sheet/expand box if necessary)

Thank you for your views and suggestions.