

	<p>Consultation on the Hungerford Neighbourhood Development Plan (Regulation 16 Consultation)</p> <p>Representation Form</p> <p>Ref:</p> <p><i>(For official use only)</i></p>
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Return by: **11:59pm on Friday 23 May 2025**

This form has three parts:

Part A - Your details: need only be completed once

Part B - Your representation(s): please fill in a separate sheet for each representation you wish to make

Part C - Notification of progress of the Hungerford Neighbourhood Development Plan

PART A: Your Details

Please note the following:

We cannot register your representation without your details.

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Part B – Your Representation

Please use a separate sheet for each representation

Your name or organisation (and client if you are an agent):

RESIDENT

Please indicate which part of the consultation documents that this representation relates to:

Policy:

Section/paragraph:

Appendix:

Comments

I am a relatively new resident to Hungerford. I came here from London to enjoy the slower pace of life in the beautiful countryside. I am also a dog owner and enjoy the many walks that Hungerford has to offer.

I feel that the proposed building of 44 new homes, plus a further 12 will be detrimental to the market town of Hungerford. I have read the proposals and would raise the following points.

1. I note that a lot of the residents of Hungerford are older. This may well be because they have lived in Hungerford for many years, or they have re-located to the area to enjoy a peaceful life in their elder years. Why would the proposed new builds be attractive to these people? One assumes that they already live (and own) their own homes within the town/outskirts of the town.

2. The roads around Hungerford are only very busy on 2 days of the week, namely market day. The only other time it appears to be busy is Saturday mornings, when people do their shopping at Tesco's. I live on Park Street, and there are very few (if any) HGV lorries that travel up and down Park Street - the exception being the fire engines opposite my house. Lorries usually deliver to Tesco's in the evenings or at night. While it is accepted that the roads are narrow and can become busy on certain days, this is a small market town within a rural setting and it is hoped that it remains that way for the foreseeable future.

3. I am extremely concerned about the impact the building works will have on the surrounding countryside. The noise of the clearing of the land/tunnelling to create sewers, electrical, gas pipes and main water supplies will be horrendous and affect both the neighbouring residents and natural wildlife. This will be similar regarding dust pollution.

Furthermore, the bigger impact on the countryside after the homes have been built. Where there are people, there is noise and in particular, waste pollution. Unfortunately, as an avid dog walker, I have (and continue to) regularly pick up after other people - crisp packets, drinks cans, dog waste, etc.

In addition, I am concerned about the preservation of the natural waterways near to the proposed dwellings. Surely the new builds will have a significant detrimental impact upon the River Dun and nearby Shalbourne Brook? I have looked into the cleanliness of the water online and, while it has significantly improved over recent years, it still contains pollutants. Therefore, any building works will certainly have a polluting factor, thereby taking several steps backwards after so much has been done to protect and clean the existing river/streams.

4. Re Parking. Parking in the town itself is not really an issue. It is accepted that it becomes busy on certain days, mentioned above. However, there is parking on the High Street, in certain areas around The Croft and also in the car park opposite my house. In addition, there is free parking in Tesco's car park. Therefore, to allocate further designated parking bays in the town centre would surely spoil the look and feel of the town itself. Hungerford is a vibrant town with a thriving community. Please do not spoil what is an already lovely characterful place.

To increase Hungerford's population will surely add to traffic congestion and create parking issues, as well as increase air pollution with petrol and diesel car contaminates.

As stated in the proposals, there is a vibrant mix of houses (new and old), which stand side by side. Providing extra parking bays would not in keeping with the natural look of the town and in my view, will mar it considerably.

I hope that you will consider what I have written above. Hungerford is a truly beautiful place. Please let's keep it that way.

PART C – Notification of progress of the Hungerford NDP

Do you wish to be notified of any of the following?

Please tick all that apply

Publication of the Examiners report /	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Decision to progress to referendum	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Decision to adopt the Hungerford NDP	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Signature		Date	2/5/25
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