

**West Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy
Local Plan (Part 1)
SA Addendum Scoping Report**

**Statement of Community Engagement and
Consultation**

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Introduction

Purpose of this statement

- 1.1 This statement sets out the community engagement and consultation undertaken to date on the West Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy SA Addendum Scoping Report.

What is the West Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy?

- 1.2 West Northamptonshire is the area covered by Daventry District, Northampton Borough and South Northamptonshire Councils. It includes the towns of Northampton, Daventry, Towcester and Brackley and all the villages and rural areas within the three Councils' administrative areas.
- 1.3 The West Northamptonshire Joint Strategic Planning Committee was established by Statutory Instrument in 2008. The Committee is responsible for plan-making in West Northamptonshire. The Committee is supported by the West Northamptonshire Joint Planning Unit (JPU).
- 1.4 The Joint Core Strategy (JCS) has been prepared by the JPU on behalf of the three Councils of Daventry District, Northampton Borough and South Northamptonshire working together with Northamptonshire County Council.
- 1.5 The West Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy provides a planning framework for the West Northamptonshire area up to 2026. It sets out the long term vision and objectives for the whole of the area and includes strategic policies for steering and shaping development. It identifies locations for strategic new housing and employment and details the infrastructure (such as transport improvements, schools, open space and community facilities) required to support this development. It also defines where development will be limited.
- 1.6 The Localism Act 2011 and the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 introduced a range of changes to the planning system, and the Joint Core Strategy will now be a Part 1 Local Plan alongside a range of Part 2 Local Plans covering different locations or topics that will contribute to guiding development and use of land in West Northamptonshire for the Plan period up to 2026. Together the Part 1 and Part 2 plans comprise the development plan for West Northamptonshire.
- 1.7 The preparation of the Joint Core Strategy has involved intensive research, evidence gathering and consultation including gaining and understanding the views and opinions of the general public, organisations and individuals with an interest in West Northamptonshire. Public involvement has been a

continuous process throughout all stages of producing the document and has had a major influence in shaping the Joint Core Strategy.

Overview of the consultation process to date

- 1.8 Work formally began on the Joint Core Strategy in September 2006. The Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report was prepared between October 2006 and January 2007.
- 1.9 In accordance with Regulation 25 of the 2004 Regulations, the identification of the key issues and the development of options, known as the Issues and Options stage, took place between March and October 2007.
- 1.10 In June 2008 the Government issued amendments to the 2004 Regulations. These included an amendment to Regulation 25 of 2004 Regulations. The key change was that there was no longer a requirement for a Preferred Options stage of consultation. Instead the Government placed greater emphasis on the involvement of residents and businesses in the preparation of development plans as a continual process. Consequently in January 2009 the Joint Planning Unit carried out additional consultation on the scope of the Joint Core Strategy, i.e. what it should contain.
- 1.11 In July 2009 the Emergent Joint Core Strategy was published for consultation under Regulation 25 of the 2008 Regulations. The Emergent Joint Core Strategy set out thinking at the time of its publication with respect to the policy approach that should be taken in West Northamptonshire and was based on the evidence collected to date. It was not a draft plan or a final strategy; it did not set out policies but it did set out the policy approach and the preferred options and rejected options for the locations of growth at each town in West Northamptonshire.
- 1.12 In February 2011 the Pre-Submission Joint Core Strategy was published for consultation under Regulation 27 of the 2008 Regulations. The Pre-Submission Joint Core Strategy set out specific policies and strategic land allocations for West Northamptonshire based on the evidence base and taking into account previous consultations.
- 1.13 In July 2012 officer responses the Pre-Submission Joint Core Strategy Consultation were presented to the West Northamptonshire Joint Strategic Planning Committee. The Joint Core Strategy was subsequently submitted for Public Examination on 31 December 2012.
- 1.14 Details of each stage of consultation to date are contained within the 'West Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy Pre-Submission - Statement of Community Engagement and Consultation' and the 'Proposed Changes to the Pre-Submission West Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy Statement of

Community Engagement and Consultation - Update', available here (Ref SUB23 and SUB24):

<http://www.westnorthamptonshirejpu.org/connect.ti/website/view?objectId=3418096>

Public Examination

- 1.15 The Hearing Sessions for the Public Examination were held between 16th April 2013 and 1st May 2013 at the Northampton Saints Conference Centre, Franklin's Gardens, Northampton. As a result of those hearings, the Inspector requested additional work to be completed and further consultation undertaken before the Hearings resume in March 2014. This additional work is outlined within the draft Scope of Works, available on the JPU website.
- 1.16 This work involves a fresh assessment of the objectively assessed needs for new housing and a Sustainability Appraisal/Strategic Environmental Assessment (SA/SEA) Addendum Report to review work done to date, particularly relating to reasons for selecting Sustainable Urban Extension (SUE) sites around Northampton and other urban areas.

What is a Sustainability Appraisal/Strategic Environmental Assessment?

- 1.17 Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) is a systematic statutory process for evaluating the environmental consequences of proposed plans or programmes to ensure environmental issues are fully integrated and addressed at the earliest appropriate stage of plan decision making.
- 1.18 SEA was introduced to the UK through the EU Directive 2001/42/EC. In England, this Directive has been transposed into UK law via the Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004. The Joint Core Strategy has been screened as a plan that requires an SEA under the Directive.
- 1.19 Sustainability Appraisal (SA) is a process undertaken during the preparation of a plan or strategy. Its role is to assess whether emerging policies and proposals will achieve the identified relevant environmental, social and economic objectives.
- 1.20 Under the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, SA is mandatory for all Development Plans.
- 1.21 It is possible to undertake the two assessments together through a single appraisal process. Government guidance encourages the two appraisals to be undertaken together. This report relates to the first stage of addendum work completed in support of a single appraisal process for Sustainability

Appraisal/Strategic Environmental Assessment. The first stage is the Scoping Report.

What is a Scoping Report?

- 1.22 The Scoping Report is prepared as part of the Strategic Environmental Assessment of the Joint Core Strategy. This Scoping Report relates to the SA/SEA Addendum works being completed by the JPU and as outlined within the draft Scope of Works (available on the JPU website). The report has been published for consultation as required by Regulation 12 of the Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004.
- 1.23 Scoping is the process of deciding the scope and level of detail of an SEA and SA, including relevant background and environmental issues, the assessment methods to be used and the structure and contents of the final Environmental Report.
- 1.24 This Statement of Consultation considers the consultation process and responses to the Scoping Report in support of the Addendum Sustainability Appraisal/Strategic Environmental Assessment work as required by the Inspector.
- 1.25 The following sections set out further details of how the JPU has engaged with all sections of the community, including specific consultation bodies and general consultation bodies, as prescribed by the Regulations and the Statements of Community Involvement (SCIs). This includes how consultation took place, including who was consulted, how they were consulted, and how comments were taken into account.

2. The West Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy SA Addendum Scoping Report

2.1 This section sets out details of the community involvement and consultation methods that were used for the consultation of the West Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy SA Addendum Scoping Report, hereafter referred to as the Scoping Report.

2.2 The Scoping Report was published for a consultation for a six week period from 25 July to 30 August 2013. The Scoping Report is available to view on the JPU's website via the following link:

http://ldfconsultation.westnorthamptonshirejpu.org/consult.ti/SA_SR/consultationHome

2.3 In accordance with Regulation 12 (5) of the Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004, the Scoping Report was published for consultation with Natural England, English Heritage and the Environment Agency.

2.4 The Joint Core Strategy, and its supporting documents, has been published for consultation at various stages since 2007. Although not a requirement of the 2004 Regulations, the JPU considered it good practice to consult all relevant stakeholders at this advanced stage of the process. This consultation enabled the JPU to inform stakeholders on the current status of work being completed (at the request of the Examination Inspector).

2.5 The JPU wrote to or emailed a total of 7,489 organisations, agencies, groups and individuals providing details of the consultation, and, as appropriate, providing copies of the Scoping Report or informing them of the documents' availability and how to view or obtain copies.

2.6 The list of consultation bodies is included as Appendix 1 to this statement.

2.7 Copies of the Scoping Report were also made available for public inspection at the principal offices of:

- Daventry District Council
- Northampton Borough Council
- Northamptonshire County Council
- South Northamptonshire Council
- West Northamptonshire Development Corporation; and
- All the public libraries in West Northamptonshire and the main libraries in areas adjoining the West Northamptonshire plan making area. A full list of these locations is included as Appendix 2.

- 2.8 The JPU also used the web-based iNovem consultation system to enable individuals and organisations to view and download the Scoping Report. Once registered on the consultation system respondents could also submit their responses electronically. The Partner Authorities websites also provided links to the consultation system from their websites.
- 2.9 The Scoping Report was also available on request in large print, Braille and audio versions, and in other languages.

Representations to the Scoping Report

- 2.10 As a result of the Scoping Report consultation a total of 261 individual representations were duly made by 41 individuals and organisations. Of these:
- 8 were submitted online
 - 29 were sent by email
 - 4 were sent by post.
- 2.11 Of the duly made representations, 8 individuals and organisations responded with no comment.
- 2.12 A total of 3 representations were received from 3 individuals and organisations that did not specifically relate to the Scoping Report.
- 2.13 There were three statutory consultees: the Environment Agency; English Heritage and Natural England. Responses were received from each of these bodies and their comments are included in Appendix 3.
- 2.14 All responses to the Scoping Report consultation are available to view on the JPU website at www.westnorthantsjpu.org or at the JPU office at Northampton Borough Council, Guildhall, Northampton.
- 2.15 The West Northamptonshire Joint Strategic Planning Committee (JSPC) will formally receive the summary of the representations to the Scoping Report at its meeting on 16 December 2013.
- 2.16 Appendix 3 provides a summary of the representations made to the Scoping Report.

3. Next Stage

- 3.1 Responses received to the SA Addendum Scoping Report will be considered and addressed during the appraisal of the additional reasonable alternatives, and incorporated into the SA Addendum Report, which will be made available for public consultation in January and February 2014 alongside the Objectively Assessed Housing Needs work and the Proposed Modifications to the Joint Core Strategy (as submitted).
- 3.2 There will then be a further three days of Hearings in March 2014 to consider the outcomes of the further work and the responses to the consultation. Further details will be available on the Examination web page:

<http://www.westnorthamptonshirejpu.org/connect.ti/website/view?objectId=3417840>

Appendix 1 – List of consultation bodies

The consultation was sent directly to all organisations and individuals on our database, including:

Town and Parish Councils:

Abthorpe Parish Council
Adderbury Parish Council
Adstone Parish Meeting
Alderton Parish Meeting
Arthingworth Parish Council
Ashby St Ledgers Parish Council
Ashton Parish Council
Aston le Walls Parish Council
Aynho Parish Council
Badby Parish Council
Banbury Town Council
Barby and Onley Parish Council
Beachampton Parish Council
Biddlesden Parish Council
Billing Parish Council
Blakesley Parish Council
Blisworth Parish Council
Boddington Parish Council
Bodicote Parish Council
Boughton Parish Council
Brackley Town Council
Bradden Parish Meeting
Brafield on the Green Parish Council
Braunston Parish Council
Brington Parish Council
Brixworth Parish Council
Brockhall Parish Council
Broughton Parish Council
Bugbrooke Parish Council
Byfield Parish Council
Calverton Parish Council
Canons Ashby Parish Council
Castle Ashby Parish Council
Castlethorpe Parish Council
Catesby Parish Council
Chacombe Parish Council
Charwelton Parish Council
Chipping Warden Parish Council
Church & Chapel Brampton Parish Council
Church with Chapel Brampton Parish Council
Clay Coton Parish Council
Claydon with Clattercott PC
Clifton Hampden Parish Council
Clifton Upon Dunsmore Parish Council
Clipston Parish Council

Cogenhoe and Whiston Parish Council
Cold Ashby Parish Council
Cold Higham Parish Council
Collingtree Parish Council
Cosgrove Parish Council
Cottesbrooke Parish Council
Cottisford Parish Meeting
Courteenhall Parish Meeting
Creaton Parish Council
Crick Parish Council
Croughton Parish Council
Culworth Parish Council
Daventry Parish Council
Daventry Town Council
Deanshanger Parish Council
Deddington Parish Council
Denton Parish Council
Dodford Parish Council
Draughton with Maidwell Parish Council
Dunchurch Parish Council
Duston Parish Council
Earls Barton Parish Council
East Farndon Parish Council
East Haddon Parish Council
Easton Neston Parish Meeting
Ecton Parish Council
Edgcote Parish Meeting
Elkington Parish Council
Evenley Parish Council
Everdon Parish Council
Eydon Parish Council
Farthinghoe Parish Council
Fathingstone Parish Council
Fawsley Parish Council
Flore Parish Council
Flore, Byfield and Long Buckby Parish Council
Gayton Parish Council
Grafton Regis Parish Meeting
Grange Park Parish Council
Great Houghton Parish Council
Great Oxendon Parish Council
Greatworth Parish Council
Greens Norton Parish Council
Grendon Parish Council
Guilsborough Parish Council
Hackleton Parish Council
Hannington Parish Council
Hanslope Parish Council
Hardingstone Parish Council
Hardwick & Tusmore Parish Meeting
Harlestone Parish Council
Harpole Parish Council
Harrington Parish Council
Hartwell Parish Council
Haselbech Parish Council
Hellidon Parish Council

Helmdon Parish Council
Heselbech Parish Council
Holcot Parish Council
Holdenby Parish Council
Hollowell Parish Council
Kelmarsh Parish Council
Kilsby Parish Council
Kings Sutton Parish Council
Kislingbury Parish Council
Lamport Parish Council
Leckhampstead Parish Council

Lilbourne Parish Council
Lillingstone Dayrell with Luffield Abbey
Parish Councils
Lillingstone Lovell Parish Council
Litchborough Parish Council
Little Houghton Parish Council
Loddington Parish Council
Long Buckby Parish Council
Maidford Parish Council
Maidwell Parish Council
Marston St Lawrence Parish Council
Marston Trussell Parish Meeting
Mid Northamptonshire Parishes 2001
Middleton Cheney Parish Council
Milton Malsor Parish Council
Mixbury Parish Meeting
Moreton Pinkney Parish Council
Moulton Parish Council
Naseby Parish Council
Nether Heyford Parish Council
Newbottle Parish Council
Newnham Parish Council
Norton Parish Council
Old Parish Council
Old Stratford Parish Council
Olney Town Council
Orton Parish Council
Overstone Parish Council
Overthorpe Parish Council
Pattishall Parish Council
Paulerspury Parish Council
Pitsford Parish Council
Potterspury Parish Council
Prestcote Parish Meeting
Preston Capes Parish Council
Priors Hardwick Parish Council
Priors Marston Parish Council
Quinton Parish Council
Radstone Parish Meeting
Ravensthorpe Parish Council
Ravenstone Parish Council
Roade Parish Council
Rothersthorpe Parish Council
Scaldwell Parish Council
Shutlanger Parish Council

Sibbertoft Parish Council
Silverstone Parish Council
Slapton Parish Meeting
Souldern Parish Council
Spratton Parish Council
Stanford Parish Council
Staverton Parish Council
Stoke Bruerne Parish Council
Stoke Goldington Parish Council
Stoke Lyne Parish Council
Stoneton Parish Meeting
Stony Stratford Town Council
Stowe Nine Churches Parish Council
Sulby Parish Council
Sulgrave Parish Council
Syresham Parish Council
Sywell Parish Council
Thenford Parish Meeting
Thornby Parish Council
Thornton Parish Council
Thorpe Mandeville Parish Council
Tiffield Parish Council
Towcester Town Council
Turweston Parish Council
Upper Heyford Parish Meeting
Upton Parish Council
Walgrave Parish Council
Wappenham Parish Council
Wardington PC
Wardington PC
Warkworth Parish Meeting
Warkworth Parish Meeting
Warrington Parish Council
Watford Parish Council
Weedon Bec Parish Council
Weedon Parish Council
Welford Parish Council
Welton Parish Council
West Haddon Parish Council
Weston and Weedon Parish Council
Weston Underwood Parish Council
Whilton Parish Council
Whitfield Parish Meeting
Whittlebury Parish Council
Wicken Parish Council
Willoughby Parish Council
Winwick Parish Council
Wolverton Town Council
Woodend Parish Meeting
Woodford cum Membris Parish Council
Wootton Parish Council
Wormleighton Parish Meeting
Yardley Gobion Parish Council
Yardley Hastings Parish Council
Yelvertoft Parish Council

Residents Associations:

Banbury Lane Residents Association
Blackthorn Residents Association
Boothville Community Council
Borough Hill Residents Association
Briar Hill 2 Residents Association
Briar Hill Residents Association
Brookside Residents Association
Camp Hill Residents Association
Castle St James Residents Association
Castles Residents Association
Collingtree Park Residents Association
Colwyn Road Residents Association
Community & Residents Association of Southfields
Drayton Residents Association
Eastfield Residents Association
Evenley Residents Association
Far Cotton Residents Association
Friars Residents Association
Green Park Residents Association
Hood Street Residents Association
Hopping Hill Residents Association
Hunsbury Residents Association
Kings Heath Residents Association
Kingsthorpe Hollow Residents Association
Lake View Residents Association
Lawrence & Deal Court, Deal, Leicester & Duke Street Residents Association
Northampton Federation of Residents' Associations
Overstone Lodge & Goldings Residents Association
PEMBA Residents Association
Phippsville Residents Association
Queens Crescent Residents Association
Queens Park Residents Association
Rectory Farm Residents Association
SPCC Residents' Association
Spencer Dallington Residents Association
Spring Boroughs Residents Association
St David's Residents Association
Standens Barn Residents Association
Tanfield Residents Association
Thorpeville Residents Association
Thorplands Residents Council
Thrift Streets & Vernon Terrace Residents' Association
Tunnells Residents Association
Whitehills & Spring Prk Residents Association
Wilby St, East St & South Tce Residents Association
Wood Burcote Residents Association

Area Partnerships:

Northampton Area Partnership 3

Northampton Area Partnership 4
Northampton Area Partnership 5
Northampton Area Partnership 6
Northampton Area Partnership 7
Northampton Area Partnership 8
Northampton East Area Partnership

Community Groups and other Organisations:

Ability Northants
ACERT
African Caribbean Elders Society
Age Concern
Ashby St Ledgers Conservation Group
Asian Men Sports & Social Club
B.R.D Conservation Group
Barrack Road CAAC
Berkeley Community Villages
Blisworth Historic Buildings Society Trust
Blisworth Heritage Society
Brackley Amenity Society
Brackley Cottage Hospital
Brackley Fox Lane Trust
Brackley Means Business
Brackley Mencap
Brackley Residents Action Group
Brackley Vision
British Geological Survey
British Horse Society
Brixworth Residents Against Unnecessary Development
Brockwatch
Buckingham Canal Society
Bugbrooke History Society
CABE
CALA (Campaign against Lorry Abuse)
CAMRA
CAN
Carers Forum Northamptonshire
Church Commissioners
Church of England
Churches Together in all Northamptonshire
Cinema Theatre Association
Citizen's Advice Bureau
Civic Trust
Civil Aviation Authority
Collingtree CAAC
Commission for Racial Equality
Connexions
Conservation Officer Group & Partners
Council for British Archaeology
Council for Ethnic Minorities Communities (Northampton)
Council for Voluntary Services (Northampton)
Countryside Agency

CPRE Northamptonshire
 Crossroad Care
 Cut Waste Improve Competitiveness
 CWICK
 Cyclists Touring Club
 DACT
 Dallington CAAC
 Dallington Sheltered Housing Residents Association
 Daventry Allotment Association
 Daventry and District Civic Society
 Daventry and South Northants MAGRAH
 Daventry Villages Together
 Daventry Volunteer Centre
 Daventry Women's Institute
 Deafconnect
 Deanshanger Heritage Society
 Department for Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform
 Department for Children, Schools and Families
 Department for Constitutional Affairs
 Department for Culture, Media and Sport
 Department for Innovation, Universities and Skills
 Department for Transport Rail Group
 Department for Work and Pensions
 Department of Communities and Local Government
 Department of Transport
 DIAL
 Dialogue
 Diocesan Board of Finance
 Disability Rights Commission
 Disabled Persons Transport Advisory Committee
 District Development Consultancy
 Domestic Violence Forum
 Duston Local History Society
 East Midlands Arts Board
 East Midlands Churches Forum
 East Midlands Development Agency
 East Midlands Planning Aid Service
 East Midlands Regional Assembly
 East Midlands Regional Housing Board
 East Midlands Sports
 Ekins Allotment Association
 EMDA
 Emmanuel Church Weston Favell Centre
 English as 2nd Language Group
 English Heritage
 English Historic Towns Forum
 English Partnerships
 Enterprise Solutions
 Environment Agency
 EPCAD
 Equal Opportunities Commission

Explore Northamptonshire
 Fable Gospel Hall Trust
 Forest Enterprise
 Forestry Commission
 Forestry Commission, East Midlands Conservancy
 Freight Transport Association
 Friends of Alderton Monuments
 Friends of Boughton Area
 Friends of Bradlaugh Fields
 Friends of the Earth
 Friends of the Earth (East Midlands)
 Friends of the Earth (London)
 Friends of the Racecourse
 Government Office for the East Midlands
 Grandfield Partnership
 Great Houghton CAAC
 Gypsy and Traveller Law Reform Coalition
 Health & Safety Executive
 Heart of England Tourist Board
 Help the Aged
 Highways Agency
 Hinton in the Hedges Parish Meeting
 HM Prison Service
 Hobden Partnership
 Home Builders Federation
 Home Housing Association
 Home Office
 Home Start
 Home Start Northampton
 House Builders Federation
 Housing Corporation
 Inclusion & Pupil Support
 Inclusive Environment Group
 Indian Hindu Welfare Organisation (IHWO)
 Inland Waterways Association
 Inland Waterways Association - Northampton Branch
 In-Motion Travel
 Innes England
 Institute of Directors (London)
 Invest Northamptonshire
 Jehovah's Witnesses
 Kettering Community Architects
 Kettering Rd, East Park Parade Residents & Community Association
 Kingsley CAAC
 Kingsley Park Methodist Church
 Kingsoak
 Kingsthorpe CAAC
 Kingsthorpe Grove Allotments Association
 Landmark Information Group
 Landscape
 Learning & Skills Council
 Legal Services Commission
 Lifelong Learning
 Long Buckby Rail Users' Group

MAGRAH
 Midlands Rural Housing
 Milton Malsor Action Group
 Milton Malsor Historical Society
 MIND
 Moulton Environment Group
 National Association of Local Councils
 National Consultancy Unit, English Partnerships
 National Council for the Conservation of Plants and Gardens
 National Council of Women
 National Farmers Union
 National Federation of Bus Users
 National Playing Fields Association
 National Probation Service
 National Society of Allotments & Leisure Gardeners Ltd
 National Trust
 Natural England
 Ncompass
 Nene Flood Prevention Alliance
 Nene Housing Society
 New Testament Church of God
 NFBU
 Northampton & Lamport Railway
 Northampton Auctions PLC
 Northampton Borough Allotment and Garden Council
 Northampton Central Area Partnership
 Northampton Chamber of Trade
 Northampton College
 Northampton Commissioning PCG
 Northampton Connolly
 Northampton Diesel & Electrical Services
 Northampton Disabled People Forum
 Northampton Door to Door Service (NDDS)
 Northampton Friends of the Earth
 Northampton General Hospital NHS Trust
 Northampton Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual People Forum
 Northampton Pensioners Forum
 Northampton Race Equality Forum
 Northampton Rail Users Group
 Northampton Rapid Transit System Limited
 Northampton Taxi Cab Association
 Northampton Transport Users Forum
 Northampton Volunteering Centre
 Northampton Women Forum
 Northampton Women's Aid
 Northampton Youth Forum
 Northamptonshire ACRE
 Northamptonshire Adult Learning Service
 Northamptonshire Archeological Society
 Northamptonshire Association of Local Councils
 Northamptonshire Chamber

Northamptonshire Community Foundation
 Northamptonshire Co-operative Development Agency
 Northamptonshire County Council Fire and Rescue Service
 Northamptonshire Enterprise Ltd
 Northamptonshire Environmental Forum
 Northamptonshire Environmental Network
 Northamptonshire Federation of the Women's Institute
 Northamptonshire Lesbian and Gay Alliance
 Northamptonshire Race Equality Council
 Northamptonshire Racial Equality Council
 Northamptonshire Rural Housing Association
 Northamptonshire Sport
 Northamptonshire Voluntary and Community Sector Alliance
 Northants Wildlife Trust
 Nortoft Partnerships Ltd
 Norton Village Design Statement Steering Group
 Nottingham Community Housing Association
 NSV
 NTACTION
 Office of Government Commerce
 Old Road Securities Plc
 Oxfordshire Archaeological Unit
 Parklands Allotments Association
 Peterborough Diocesan Board of Finance
 Peterborough Diocese
 Pleydell Road Allotment Committee
 Post Office Property Holdings
 Princes Foundation
 Rail Freight Group
 Rail Users Group
 Raifuture
 Ramblers' Association
 RIBA
 Ridge
 River Nene Regional Park
 RMC Group Services Ltd
 RNRP
 Road Haulage Association
 Rotary Club
 Royal Commission on Historic Monuments
 RSPB
 Seeda Headquarters
 Semilong Community Forum
 Showmans Guild of Great Britain
 Silverstone Pre-School Group
 SOS Campaign
 South East England Development Agency
 South Northamptonshire Independent Parishes

South Northamptonshire Tenants Group
 South Northamptonshire Volunteer Bureau
 South Northamptonshire Youth Council
 South Warwickshire Housing Association
 Southbrook Junior School
 Sport England
 Sport England (East Midlands)
 St Georges Community & Wildlife Group
 St Lawrence C of E Church
 Stony Stratford Association
 STOP Northants
 Sustainable Transport
 Sustrans East Midlands
 Sworders
 The Churches' Officer for New
 Communities
 The Coal Authority
 The Community Mental Health Team
 The Federation of Master Builders
 The Football League
 The Garden History Society
 The Georgian Group
 The Grange
 The Gypsy Council
 The House Builders Federation
 The Landscape Partnership
 The Littman Partnership
 The Naseby Battlefield Project
 The National Trust
 The Northamptonshire Residents Alliance
 The Police Authority
 The Studio
 The Theatres Trust
 The Victorian Society
 The Wantage Gospel Trust
 The Wildlife Trust
 The Woodland Trust
 The Youth Offending Team
 Thorburn Colquhoun
 Time 2 Talk
 TORCH
 TORCH Northamptonshire
 Total Reclaims Demolition Ltd
 Tove Valley Baptist Fellowship
 Towcester & District Local History Society
 Towcester and District Local History
 Society
 Towcester Business Club
 Towcester Partnership
 Town Centre CAAC
 Transport Users Group
 Traveller Law Reform Coalition
 Twentieth Century Society
 United Reformed Church
 Victim Support
 Weedon History Society
 Welfare Rights Advisory Service

Welford Action Group
 Women's Aid
 Women's National Commission
 WWF
 YMCA
 Youth Offending Team
 Zindgani (Aston Main Group)

Service Providers:

Adolescent Services
 Advantage West Midlands
 Ancient Monuments Society
 Ancient Tree Forum
 Anglian Water
 Arts Council England, East Midlands
 Boughton Primary School
 British Chemical Distributors & Traders
 Association
 British Ecological Society
 British Gas PLC
 British Gas PLC (South)
 British Railways Board
 British Shops and Stores Association
 British Telecom
 British Waterways
 British Waterways South East
 British Wind Energy Association
 Buckingham and River Ouzel Internal
 Drainage Board
 Cable & Wireless UK
 Champion School
 Caroline Chisholm School
 Central Networks
 Central Railways
 Chenderit School
 Children and Families
 Community Access and Language
 Service
 Community Mental Health Team
 Community Windpower Ltd
 Connells Land and Planning
 Conrad Ritblat Erdman
 Cooper Partnership
 Corus Property Department
 Country Properties
 Countryside Properties (Special
 Projects) Ltd
 Crest Homes
 Crest Nicholson Developments Ltd
 Croudace
 Crown Estate Commissioners
 Daventry District Council
 Daventry and South Northants PCT
 Daventry Fire Service
 Daventry Job Centre
 Daventry Police
 Daventry Tertiary College

East Midlands Ambulance Service
East Midlands Electricity
Entec UK Ltd
EWS Ltd
Fire Service
First Bus – Northampton
Gridcom UK
Hutchinson 3G UK Limited
Kingsbrook School
Magdalen School
Mereway Ambulance Station
Milton Keynes PCT
MK Metro
Mobile Operators Association
Moulton College
Moulton Surgery
National Grid
Network Rail
NHS Confederation
NHS East Midlands
NHS Estates
NHS Executive (Anglia & Oxford)
NHS Executive South East Region
North Oxfordshire PCT
Northampton Borough Council
Northamptonshire County Council
Northamptonshire Fire & Rescue Service
Northamptonshire Healthcare NHS Trust
Northamptonshire Police
Northamptonshire Police - Western Area
Northamptonshire Probation Area
Northamptonshire Teaching Primary
Care Trust
NPower (Renewables)
NTL Group Limited
O2 (UK) Limited
Orange Personal Communications Ltd
Powergen
Quinton House School
Roade School
Silverlink Train Services
South Midlands LIFT Project Team
Sponne School
St Andrews Hospital
St. Loys Church of England Primary
School
Stagecoach East
Sywell Aerodrome
Thames Water Property
T-Mobile (UK) Limited
Transco
University of Northampton
Virgin Trains
Vodafone Group PLC
Yorks Coaches
Yorks Travel

Businesses, Developers, Agents and
Landowners:

Abbey Developments Ltd
Abbey Ross
Abbeyfield UK HA
Abbot Anstey Reader
AC Adam Development Ltd
Adams Holmes Associates
Advance Housing Association
AIG Property
Andrew Granger & Co
Andrew Martin Associates
Anthony Ricketts
Aracon UK
Aragon
Arnold Thompson
Arun Investments
Ashby St Ledgers Farms LTD
Atis Real Weatheralls
Atkins (Property Service, NCC)
AWG Property Limited
Barratt (Northampton)
Barris Liptrott
Barry Howard Homes Ltd
Barton Willmore
Barwood Land
Bayly and Co
Beacon Housing Association
Bedfordshire Pilgrims Housing Association
Bellinge Residents Association
Bellway Homes
Ben Coleman Associates
Berkeley Homes (North London) LTD
Bernard and Mary Sunley Ltd
Berry Morris
Bidwells
Bidwells Drake
Bletsoe & Son
Bloor Homes
Blue Boar Group Holdings
Boots Properties PLC
Boots the Chemists Ltd
Bovis Homes Ltd
Boyer Planning
BPA Ltd
Bpha (Bedfordshire Pilgrims Housing
Association)
Brafild Stadium- Brafild Motorsports
Branston and Company
BRB (Residuary) Ltd
Brian Barber Associates Ltd
Brian Cornley
Briton Properties Ltd
Bromford Housing Group
Brown & Co
BT PP426 Derngate ATE

BTCV
Buchanan Consulting Engineers
Budworth Hardcasstle
Burbage Realty
Burnett Planning and Developmet
Business Link Northamptonshire
Butler Sherborn
Calvoyden Property Ltd
Camargue Consultants
Cannons Group Limited
Carillion URS
Carlsberg Tetley
Carpenter Planning
Carter Jonas
Cavendish Properties
CB Richard Ellis Ltd
CBI (East Midlands)
CDS Development Services
Celeford Essex Associates
Centex Strategic Land
CGMS
Chadwick McRae Chartered Surveyors
Chancellors
Chapman Warren
Charles Church Developments
Charles F Jones
Charles Planning Associates
Chesterhouse
Chesterton Plc
Chetwood Associates
Chiltern Hundreds Housing Association
Chris Thomas Ltd
Christ Church Oxford
Christina Cherry
CJC Development
Clayson Country Homes
Clayson Haselwood
Cleford Essex
Cluttons
Colliers CRE
Cushman & Wakefield
Cushman and Wakefield Healy and Baker
D M Wood Will Trust
Dalton Warner Davis
Dandara Holdings
Danetree Consortium
Darland Property Management Ltd
Daventry Business Breakfast Club
David L Walker
David Lock Associates
David Wilson Estates
Dbi Consulting
De Pol Associates
Defence Estates East
Dennis Faulkner & Alsop
Derek Lovejoy Partnership
Development Land & Planning

Devplan UK
Diamond Estates
Dignity Funerals Ltd
DLA LLP
Dolton Warner Davies
Donaldsons LLP
DPDS Consulting Group
DRH Architectural Design
Drivers Jonas
DTZ
DTZ Pieda Consulting
East Midlands Housing Association
Easynet Group
English Churches Housing Group
English Courtyard Developments Ltd
First City
Firstplan
Fisher German
Fox, Bennett & Hackney
FPD Savills
Frampton
Frazer Kircaldy
Freeman Leisure
Freeth Cartwright LLP
Frontier Estates
Fuller Pieser
G A Soame & Associates
G L Hearn Planning
G R Kenning
Gallagher Estates
Gardner Associates
Gazeley Properties Ltd
Genesis Holdings
Geoff Amos Coaches
George Wimpey South Midlands Ltd
George Wimpey UK Ltd
George Wimpey West Midlands Ltd
Gerald Eve
Gill Pawson Planning
Godfrey Payton
Goldfinch
Goode Coaches
Gotch, Saunders and Surridge
Goth
Gough Planning Services
Gregory Gray Associates
GVA Grimley
Hadland Chartered Surveyors
Halkins and Haskins
Hallam Land Management Ltd
Hardys and Hansons
Harris Lamb Planning Consultancy
Hartwell Bond
Harwoods
Hawksmoor Property Services
Haywood and White
Head Mann Associates

Healey & Baker
Henry H. Bletsoe & Sons
Hepher Dixon
Hewitsons
Highgrade Motors
Hinton In The Hedges Airfield
Holme Holdings
Holmes Antill
Howard Sharp and Partners LLP
IG Land and Planning
Indigo Planning Ltd
J & J Design
J A Pye
J B Planning Associates
J B Planning Associates Ltd (for Kier Land Ltd)
J S Bloor Services
James Bailey Planning
James Martin and Co.
Januaries
Jennifer Lampert Associates
John Drake & Co
John Heber Evans Chartered Designers
John Martin & Associates
John Phillips Planning
Jones Day
JS Bloor Homes
Kember Loudon Williams Ltd
Kemp & Kemp
Kensington Homes
Kier Land Ltd
King Sturge
King West
King West Blacklee Smith
Kirkby and Diamond
Lafarge Aggregates
Laing Homes
Lambert Smith Hampton
Lane Fox Residential Ltd
LDA Design
Legal & General
Leicester Housing Association
Leith Planning
LEVVEL Consulting Ltd
LHA Housing Association
Lidl UK
Linfield Ltd & Lintec Systems Ltd
Lloyd Thomas Architects
Loveday & Davis
Lovejoy
Lovejoy Partnership
Lovell Johns
Lucas Land and Planning Consultants Ltd
Malcolm Judd & Partners
Malcolm Scott Consultants Ltd
Mansford Holdings Plc
Marchfield Developments

Marriott Hardcastle
Marrons
Marston St Lawrence Estate
Marston's Plc
Martin Grant Homes (UK) Ltd
Martin Pendered
Marwalk
Mason Richards Planning
McCann Homes
McCarthy and Stone
McGowan Investments
McIntyres
MCL Property Consultants
Meccantice Land
Merrys
Midsummer Housing Association
Mike Hardy Planning Consultant
Miller Homes
Minster General Housing Association
Molyneux Planning
Montague Evans
Montagu-Evans
Morrison Supermarkets PLC
Mott McDonald
MSP
NAI Fuller Peiser
Nathaniel Lichfield and Partners
Nicholas Tye
Northampton Landlords' Association
Number One
Oldfield King Planning
Orbit Housing Association
O'Riordan Bond
Osborne & Shellard
Paradigm Housing Group
Paul & Company
Peacock and Smith
Pegasus Planning Group
Persimmon Homes
Persimmon Homes (Midlands) Ltd
Peter Brett Associates
Peter Haddon & Partners
Phillips Planning Services Ltd
Plainwood Holdings
Planning Bureau
Planning Issues
Planning Potential
Plant Hire Contractors
R Stafford Charles & Son
Rapleys
Rapleys LLP
Redline Town and Planning Development Consultants
Redrow Homes (Midlands) Ltd
Robco-Reed Ltd
Robert Doughty Consultancy
Robert Hitchins Ltd

Robert Turley Associates
Robinson & Hall
Rockingham Forest Housing Association
Roger Coy
Roger Mason Planning
Roger Tym and Partners
Royal Mail
Royal Mail Group
Royal Mail Group c/o Atisreal
Royal Mail Operations West Territory
Royal Mail Property Holdings
RPS
Rudding Estate Office
Rugby Cement
Samuel Rose Ltd
Savills
Second Site Property
Servite Houses
Shaftsbury Society
Shoosmiths
Shortland King
Slough Estates
Smith Stuart Reynolds
Smith Woolley
Smiths Gore
Stamford Homes Ltd
Stansgate Planning Consultants
Star Planning & Development
Steer Ethelston
Stepnell Estates Limited
Strangford Property Consultancy Ltd
Strategic Land Partnerships
Strutt & Parker
Stuart Michael Associates Ltd
Stuart Ross Associate
Taylor New Homes
Taylor Williams Properties
Taylor Woodrow Developments Ltd
Taywood Homes Ltd
Tenscentral Ltd
Terence O'Rourke
Tesco Stores Ltd
Tetlow King Planning
Tew and Smith
TFM Readers
The Bell Cornwell Partnership
The Planning Bureau Ltd
The Planning Inspectorate
Topaz Developments Ltd
Towcester Veterinary Surgery
Town Planning Consultancy
TPK Consulting
Trevor Jolley Design
Turley Associates
Turweston Flight Centre Ltd
Twigden Homes
Twigg & Associates Ltd

Underwoods
Vartec Telecom Europe
Verres De Vin Wines Company
Video Inn Production
WA Fairhurst and Partners
Walker Morris
Warmingtons
Watermead Homes Ltd
Westbury Homes (Holdings) Ltd
Westleigh Developments Ltd
Weston Favell Shopping Centre
White Mitchell Chartered Surveyors
White Young Green Planning
Whites Estates Agents
Wilbraham Associates Ltd
Wilcon Homes Midlands Ltd
William Davies Ltd
Willow Inns Limited
Wilson Bowden Properties
Wilson Connolly (Home Counties)
Wimpey Homes
Wimpey Homes (East Midlands)
Wm Morrison Supermarket Plc
Woods Hardwick Planning Limited
Woolf Bond Planning
WSP Group Ltd

Adjoining Councils:

Aylesbury Vale District Council
Buckinghamshire County Council
Borough Council of Wellingborough
Cherwell District Council
Corby Borough Council
East Northamptonshire Council
Harborough District Council
Kettering Borough Council
Leicestershire County Council
Milton Keynes Council
North Northamptonshire Joint Planning Unit
Oxfordshire County Council
Rugby Borough Council
Stratford upon Avon District Council
Warwickshire County Council

Appendix 2 – List of public inspection locations

Council/ Development Corporation Offices

Daventry District Council - One Stop Shop
Northampton Borough Council – One Stop Shop
Northamptonshire County Council – County Hall
South Northamptonshire Council – Springfields
West Northamptonshire Development Corporation

West Northamptonshire Libraries

Northamptonshire Central Library, Northampton
Abington Library
Brackley Library
Brixworth Library
Daventry Library
Deanshanger Library
Duston Library
Far Cotton Library
Hunsbury Library
Kingsthorpe Library
Long Buckby Library
Middleton Cheney Library
Moulton Library
Roade Library
St James Library
Towcester Library
Weston Favell Library
Woodford Halse Library
Wootton Library

Adjoining Councils Libraries

Banbury Library
Buckingham Library
Desborough Library
Dunchurch Library and Information Centre
Earls Barton Library
Kettering Library
Market Harborough Library
Milton Keynes Central Library
Newport Pagnell Library
Olney Library
Rothwell Library
Rugby Library and Information Centre
Stony Stratford Library
Wellingborough Library
Wolverton Library

Appendix 3 – Summary of representations

Relevant reference	Respondent(s)	Comment(s)
General	Boughton Parish Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opposed to the deletion of South and West SUEs and the proposed enlargement of North SUE. • Express importance of protecting and preserving land between Moulton and Boughton in particular the historic sites at Boughton Green (the old site of Boughton Fayre), the old St John's Church and the ancient religious site of Holy Well and Spectacle Lane. Urge that these areas of cultural and historic designations are included in the SA.
General	Collingtree Parish Council	Collingtree Parish Council wishes to be associated with the responses of HCRA [sic] and any response by Wootton Parish Council.
General	Hunsbury Meadows Parish Council	Object to amount of development. Flooding and hospital capacity are significant considerations. Provided extract from Pineham Inspector's Report and briefing from the Environment Agency in support.
General	Moulton and Overstone Parish Councils	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Issues requiring full appraisal: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Integrated transport system network ○ Bridleways ○ Structural greenspace and wildlife corridors ○ Dualling of A43 and Round Spinney works with up to date costings. • Oppose deletion of South and West SUEs and enlargement of North SUE.
General	Councillor Judy Shepherd	Supports response of Moulton and Overstone Parish Councils.
General	Roade Parish Council	Support original JCS and support principle of sustainable extensions as laid out. Keen to develop brownfield sites in Roade but wish to maintain Green Belt around the village by resisting further large scale development between Roade and M1.
General	Hunsbury and Collingtree Residents Alliance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report fails to clearly inform. • Should include preface with reasoning for further work clearly stated. • Should include definitions, including for terms 'reasonable', 'reasonableness' and 'sustainable'.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Should include terms of reference with subheadings ‘Sustainable Urban Extension (SUE)’, ‘Sustainable Urban Drainage System (SUDS)’ and ‘Flood Risk Analysis (FRA)’ followed by specific criteria specific to each. Numerical references should also be clearly explained. • Methodology should be simplified (examples provided). • Remainder of document should be heavily edited and simplified. • Support response of Water Management Research. • The response contains a list of constraints for SUE 5. The full response should be referred to for this information.
General	Whitehills and Spring Park Residents Association (WASPRA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grave concerns regarding acute healthcare provision for Northampton and its environs. • Should be no further development until funds are set aside and ‘ring fenced’ to deal with serious deficiency in Acute Health Care. • Respondent provides detail from local area and refers to newspaper article dated August 2013. • Respondent provides submission to Inspector dated April 2013. • Northampton requires dual carriageway north-west bypass. • Lack of importance placed on provision of adequate road infrastructure in the north-west side of Northampton.
General	Wootton Brook Action Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report is not presented in a clear and understandable format. • Should include clear reasoning for further work. • Should include definitions, including for terms ‘reasonable’ and ‘sustainable’. • Methodology should be simplified. • The response contains a list of constraints for SUE 5. The full response should be referred to for this information.
General	Homes and Communities Agency	The assessment appears to be very thorough and detailed.
General	Water Management Research (on behalf of Nene Flood	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Propose addition to policy for the sustainability of the Strategic 1 in 200 year Nene design standard for all existing infrastructure for the Northampton flood risk areas. Consider that this strategic issue has not been addressed within the evidence base.

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	Prevention Alliance and interested parties)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Incompatibility of River Nene design standards for Main River and tributaries for the 200yr standard for the JPU Policy and existing residents' 50yr standards. • It does not appear that any audits for any arising floodplain loss have been carried out for the sustainability of the WNJPU policy in all Northampton development areas. • There is discrimination between existing property owners and new development sites. Increases risk to life and property. • Please confirm whether you are prepared to obtain Council's Opinion on Article 14 of the Human Rights Act 1998 before this matter is put to the Inspector? • Unclear whether JPU consider that any funding is required to meet their strategy for flood risk. • Respondent provides detailed evidence of flood events, status of existing flood infrastructure and references to documents considered to be of particular importance.
General	NLP (on behalf of UK Strategic Land)	<p>Comments relate to the shortcomings of the Local Plan (Part 1) Scoping Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Report's consistency with the objectives of the Viability Testing Local Plans, Harman Report. The principal of 'deliverability within the plan period' should remain at the forefront of the Joint Core Strategy Plan. • The Report's failure to consider saved Daventry District Local Plan Policies EN10 and EN11. • The Report's failure to include the Daventry Masterplan 2040 within the scope of the relevant policy context.
General	Mr C. Barker	Please ensure that road infrastructure is in place before new homes.
General	Mrs F. Critchlow	<p>Comments relate to Northampton North SUE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Disturbance, vandalism and theft already suffered north of Rectory Farm ○ Will be built on some Grade 3 land and some falls within a sand a gravel safeguarding area ○ Overstone is very close to merging with Northampton ○ Congestion at Round Spinney, through Overstone and on Billing Lane ○ Are there no brownfield alternatives?
General	Mr D. Houghton-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refers to response of NFPA.

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	Roberts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flood alleviation work has been completed in the valley between Kislingbury and Upton but considerable amount of factory, housing and road development counterbalances this.
General	Dr G. Pollard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consideration should be given to the sustainability of using agricultural land for homes. Consideration should be given to the sustainability of road traffic in the area.
General	Mr and Mrs Reeves	Consider immigration and work sustainability when assessing the need for new housing in the community, and don't build on flood plains. Have Gypsy and Traveller sites been included?
General	Mr S. Townsend	Re-draft document with definitions of reasonable alternatives, reasonableness criteria, sustainable, sustainable community, sustainable development.
Para. 1.2	Wootton Brook Action Group	"in relation to the reassessed housing needs" – are these the figures in para 1.9? Requires clarification.
Para. 1.6	DLP Planning Consultants	Scope should make reference to the request by the inspector for the SA to explain why the site at Junction 16 had been deselected as a suitable strategic location.
Para. 1.7	Natural England	In so far as this general approach is appropriate, the natural environment has been adequately considered.
Para. 1.7	Wootton Brook Action Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What are the reasonable alternatives? Clarification required. Propose that detailed list of alternatives be issued to all consultees prior to evaluation. Suggests that WNJPU will decide what is reasonable. Who selects one or more locations for a new settlement? Difference between points 3 and 4 is difficult to understand. Jobs are given little consideration from this point onwards.
Para. 1.7	DLP Planning Consultants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reasonable alternatives for employment should include those that meet the requirements of the strategic warehousing industry. Excluding locations by virtue of the fact that they are not located next to the urban area is a fundamentally unsound approach. There are few options for strategic warehousing, and therefore this is an insignificant task.
Para. 1.7	Pegasus Group	Assume that evaluation of alternative development locations will be based upon the preliminary draft list of alternative locations described at para. 7.3 of the Scope of Works.
Para. 1.7	Ms K. Servant	Existing sites should also be re-appraised using the same criteria as the 'reasonable

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		alternatives', in order that a fair comparison can be made, include all existing identified sites in the appraisal alongside the reasonable alternatives, include a comparison of all of the proposals.
Para. 1.8	Pegasus Group (on behalf of Martin Grant Homes and Harcourt Developments)	The alternatives to be considered should include the suggested extension of Northampton South of Brackmills SUE, as included within preliminary draft list of alternative locations described in para. 7.3 of the Scope of Works.
Para. 1.9	Great Houghton Action Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is unsound only to consider housing quanta above the most recent ONS projections. • Lowest alternative should be less than ONS 2011, ONS 2011-10% or approx. 43,000 (Provides data from ONS in support).
Para. 1.9	Hunsbury and Collingtree Residents Alliance	Would be clearer to have same projection period for both housing and jobs.
Para. 1.9	Wootton Brook Action Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Would be clearer to have same projection period for both housing and jobs. • Up to date data required. What is the timescale for up to date data?
Para. 1.9	DLP Planning Consultants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Linking job growth to housing is dangerous as job growth can be independent of housing provision, and vice versa. • Methodology does not show a positive approach to encouraging economic growth as required by NPPF. • Should weigh obvious economic benefits of Junction 16 site against social and environmental dimensions of sustainable development. • Limiting assessment of impact to what occurs in the plan area a very common mistake. Unsound approach. • SA should not simply assess sustainability of site being developed against it not being developed. Should show why present demand for strategic warehousing not met in this area but exported to other (unspecified) locations.
Para. 1.9	Gladman Developments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Respondent welcomes opportunity to review housing options when the joint SHMA is published.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Options are not reasonable alternatives if they do not include full Objectively Assessed Housing Need (OAHN). The SA should recognise a range of significant positive sustainability effects from meeting full OAHN.
Para. 1.9	Pegasus Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Will the housing requirement for the period 2001-2031 (as shown in OAHN report) be assessed through the JCS SA Addendum? It would be helpful if the time period for the SA Addendum works could be clarified. Will the SA Addendum appraise a dwelling requirement of 48,185 for 2001-2026 as the lowest figure for the purposes of the Addendum? Will options as shown in OAHN report (Tables 7 & 9) be tested through the SA Addendum process?
Para. 1.9	Pegasus Group (on behalf of Martin Grant Homes and Harcourt Developments)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Will the housing requirement for the period 2001-2031 (as shown in OAHN report) be assessed through the JCS SA Addendum? Will the SA Addendum appraise a dwelling requirement of 48,185 for 2001-2026 as the lowest figure for the purposes of the Addendum? Will options as shown in OAHN report (Tables 7 & 9) be tested through the SA Addendum process?
Para. 1.9	Ms K. Servant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2011 Census figures demonstrate 2008 ONS projections too high. Options B & C overestimate houses needed, should be discarded. PBA forecast is as valid as CCHPR forecast and should be included. A median point between the 3 (including ONS) would be rational compromise. No justification for interpreting a low estimate as a negative one. Support research into state of local housing market to ensure healthy, reasonable and sustainable figures are set.
Para. 1.12	Northampton Borough Council	Option C, should it be made clear that this was considered but dismissed previously on the basis of it not being a reasonable alternative due to policies set out the East Midlands Regional Plan?
Para. 1.12	Hunsbury and	Should define size of these larger developments and their relationship with sustainability.

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	Collingtree Residents Alliance	Reference to Open University definition for SUEs of at least 1,500 homes.
Para. 1.12	Great Houghton Action Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unsound not to consider brownfield areas within existing urban communities as well. • Propose modification of “Option C – new settlements in sustainable locations including brownfield land in urban areas or the countryside.”
Para. 1.12	DLP Planning Consultants	Object to these options. The decision to not meet the future needs of strategic warehousing is not reflected in any of the options presented. Recommend further option: “For the purpose of strategic warehousing only the following options will be considered at each of the alternative locations at the various Strategic Road Junctions within the plan area.”
Para. 1.12	Gladman Developments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SUEs are unlikely to deliver to the timescales as envisaged by JPU. Additional sites should be identified to address this deficit. • JPU should reappraise the sustainability of its distribution strategy if it is to meet a higher OAHN. • The benefits of further development in rural villages should be recognised.
Para. 1.12	Stephen Ward Town Planning (on behalf of Parma Developments)	Support inclusion of “Option C – new settlements in sustainable locations including brownfield land in the countryside.”
Para. 1.12	Dr G. Pollard	Should add “Option D – Redevelop central Northampton as an attractive place to live.”
Para. 1.12	Mr S. Townsend	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clauses 1.12 1.16 1.20,21 Table 1.1 1.24, 26, 28 2.8,9,14 3.17,18 all need further explanations or clarifications.
Para. 1.15	DLP Planning Consultants	Earlier SA work to be taken into account should include the assessment of Junction 16 prior to the policy decision to exclude the site. Recommend additional general location: “Inclusion of Junction 16 as a strategic location for warehousing and associated business.”
Para. 1.16	Hunsbury and Collingtree Residents Alliance	Consider that this process effectively deletes policies N4 and N5 unless these policies are determined to be preferred options under the proposed scoping process. Require further clarification.
Para. 1.17	Wootton Brook Action Group	The document must include a comprehensive list of the sites being evaluated, not refer to another document.

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Para. 1.17	DLP Planning Consultants	Site at Junction 16 should be subject to full assessment and not discounted because it is not adjacent to the urban areas.
Para. 1.17	Pegasus Group (on behalf of Martin Grant Homes and Harcourt Developments)	The alternatives to be considered should include the suggested extension of Northampton South of Brackmills SUE.
Para. 1.17	Ms M. Kennard	In order that sites are compared fairly the selection of sites must include a re-appraisal of existing sites which remain in scope.
Para. 1.20	Wootton Brook Action Group	Paragraph is confusing and contradictory.
Para. 1.20	DLP Planning Consultants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The impact of the displacement of demand to other locations cannot be discounted from the assessment. • Object to approach, instantly discounts any new strategic warehousing sites. Full appraisal required.
Para. 1.20	Pegasus Group (on behalf of Persimmon Homes, Redrow Homes, Barratt Homes and David Wilson Homes)	Support assessment of 'reasonable alternatives' rather than all sites.
Para. 1.21 & Table 1.1	Environment Agency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support reasonableness criteria. • Propose amendment from "these are areas of higher risk of flooding" to "these sites have a medium and high probability of flooding"
Para. 1.21 & Table 1.1	English Heritage	Welcome two draft criteria relating to avoiding heritage assets but note differences between NPPF criterion and Core Strategy derived criterion.
Para. 1.21 & Table 1.1	Natural England	Criteria are suitable as they relate to the natural environment.

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Para. 1.21 & Table 1.1	Northampton Borough Council	Objective 4 - Taken literally this would not consider sites adjacent to current allocations in plans/planning permissions not yet implemented, perhaps should be widened to: 'Locations should be adjoining existing /committed urban edge'.
Para. 1.21 & Table 1.1	Moulton and Overstone Parish Councils	Criteria for identifying reasonable alternatives is suitable and all alternative sites should be appraised.
Para. 1.21 & Table 1.1	Great Houghton Action Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is unsound not to consider the timely provision of sustainable infrastructure as a primary constraint. • Options 1 & 3 should have their reasonableness criteria changed to read “Proximity to sustainable transport options is a primary reasonableness constraint.” • Options 2 should have its reasonableness criteria changed to read “The availability of infrastructure in a timely and sustainable manner is a primary reasonableness constraint.”
Para. 1.21 & Table 1.1	Hunsbury and Collingtree Residents Alliance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Propose detailed alterations to (see response for detail): • Objective 1 – Flood risk – to avoid development in sites with known serious flooding problems. • Objective 4 – Protecting and building urban connections – to define meaning of ‘adjoining existing urban edge’. • Objective 10 – Educational attainment – could affect sustainability of a location if educational facilities for ages 5 – 16 are provided further from site. • Objective 11 – Housing – ‘Alternative locations that are not adjoining the four main towns are not reasonable alternatives’ – does not apply to Option C under para. 1.12.
Para. 1.21 & Table 1.1	Wootton Brook Action Group	<p>Propose detailed alterations to (see response for detail):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NPPF Objective 1 – Flood risk – to avoid development in sites with known serious flooding problems. • WNJCS Objective 4 – proposed wording to include physical constraints of river, roads and railways. • WNJCS Objective 8 – Conflicts with Objective 3. • WNJCS Objective 9 – Disagree that this does not affect location of additional housing.

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		<p>Sites should be self-contained.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WNJCS Objective 10 - could affect sustainability of a location in respect of connectivity. • WNJCS Objective 11 - effects of under-occupation and specialist living accommodation sizes: site density not considered.
Para. 1.21 & Table 1.1	Barton Willmore (on behalf of Landform Estates Ltd)	Proposed approach to the appraisal of reasonable alternatives is appropriate and suitable.
Para. 1.21 & Table 1.1	DLP Planning Consultants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does not address the location for new strategic warehousing opportunities, despite the inspector requesting this to be addressed. • A selection of sites that do not meet the recognised need in the area cannot be considered to meet the advice in the Framework and cannot be sustainable. • Objective 4 has been written primarily with residential development in mind. • Objective 16 does not take account of importance of heritage asset. • Propose amendments to Table 1.1.
Para. 1.21 & Table 1.1	Pegasus Group (on behalf of Martin Grant Homes and Harcourt Developments)	Support draft reasonableness criteria and acknowledge that; “alternative locations that are not adjoining the four main towns are not reasonable alternatives.”
Para. 1.21 & Table 1.1	Pegasus Group (on behalf of Persimmon Homes, Redrow Homes, Barratt Homes and David Wilson Homes)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JCS Objective 2 (Infrastructure and development) is inconsistent with NPPF para 177 which recognises the importance of ensuring that there is a reasonable prospect that planned infrastructure is deliverable in a timely fashion. • JCS Objective 4 (Protecting and building urban connections) adjoining urban areas – conflicts with Option C being appraised - new settlements. • JCS Objective 16 (Heritage) is too rigid. Inconsistent with NPPF which covers degree of harm to asset(s). Should be updated to better reflect NPPF. • As a general point, can any alternative which will not assist in the delivery of the policies or objectives of the NPPF and the JCS be considered a reasonable alternative?

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Para. 1.21 & Table 1.1	Mrs R. Boulter	“The criteria for selection of alternative sites for inclusion in the Core Strategy is still not substantial, realistic or transparent.” Respondent refers to The Joseph Rowntree Foundation Report, Sustainable Urban Neighbourhoods: building communities that last, February 2012.
Para. 1.21 & Table 1.1	Ms M. Kennard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Objective 4 - Protecting and building urban connections - Brownfield areas inside urban areas already have connections and better sustainable transport links and infrastructure. Some areas beyond urban edge may be more suitable. Should not automatically limit development to the urban edge. Suggesting that locations should adjoin existing locations is not justified. • Objective 11- The suggestion that development will only be considered if they adjoin the 4 main towns is not justified.
Para. 1.21 & Table 1.1	Dr G. Pollard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Objective 5 is inadequate as people need to live there and not merely shop, work and relax. • Should add Objective for Urban Agriculture to reduce transport, storage and waste of food. • Should add Objective to integrate architecture with ecology if the form of roof gardens and plant covered walls. • The options under consideration should be subject to a Life Cycle Analysis.
Para. 1.21 & Table 1.1	Ms K. Servant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reasonableness criteria for Objectives 4 and 11 are not justified. Development does not need to be on the 'urban edge' to connect with existing communities. Could be on brownfield sites within urban areas, or separate from urban areas, if sustainable transport connections are available. • Following proposed criteria would result in reduction of choice as all new housing would be urban. NPPF para. 50 requires 'wide choice of high quality homes', para. 54 talks of need to provide rural homes. • Require development to be sustainable & of appropriate size, rather than limiting to urban edge. • Carry out full assessment of proposed South of Brackmills SUE as part of SA Addendum report.
Para. 2.3	Northampton Borough Council	Sentence 1 - perhaps reference is required to the option suggested by the inspector of the end date being 2029 and 2031?

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Para. 2.3	Wootton Brook Action Group	Please define where development is limited.
Para. 2.4	Northampton Borough Council	Last sentence - Needs to take account of Neighbourhood Plans being part of the development plan. The Part 1 and Part 2 plans will be development plan documents/the Local Plan, however neighbourhood plans when adopted will also comprise part of the development plan.
Para. 2.7	Wootton Brook Action Group	Has the NRDA been produced yet? What is the timescale for its release?
Para. 2.8	Northampton Borough Council	2nd sentence - Neighbourhood Plans should be in general conformity with the 'strategic' policies of the Local Plan.
Para. 2.8	Wootton Brook Action Group	In order for relevant documents to be considered, require a list of Neighbourhood Plans and timescales.
Para. 2.15	Wootton Brook Action Group	Should amend to show that significant adverse impacts will result in the specific development being removed from the list of reasonable alternatives.
Chapter 3	Environment Agency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Essential that impact of alternative development on water quality is assessed. • Need integrated approach to water management through planning and design.
Chapter 3	English Heritage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter provides reasonable summary of contextual baseline relating to historic environment.
Chapter 3	Barton Willmore (on behalf of Landform Estates Ltd)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter presents a suitable and accurate summary. • Should consider deliverability of housing on individual sites, the aggregate allocation has to be deliverable to meet 5 year trajectory.
Chapter 3	Ms M. Kennard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JCS summary underestimates the impact of SUEs on heritage assets, there is an important medieval roadway (the footpath). Also significant archaeological sites. It affects the conservation area setting. • The environmental importance is underestimated. Needs further investigation. • Pre-submission JCS stated that development could lead to loss of optimal or sub optimal habitat.
Chapter 3	Ms K. Servant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inaccuracies in data: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Details from Hardingstone Conservation Appraisal not reflected (details provided).

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Northampton Landscape Sensitivity and Green Infrastructure report classes landscape and visual sensitivity as high, not medium (details provided).
Para. 3.12	Wootton Brook Action Group	If Northampton has a higher proportion of social rented housing, why is the aspirational requirement for such housing set so high?
Para. 3.14	Wootton Brook Action Group	Does sand and gravel extraction take presidents [sic] over housing?
Para. 3.15	Wootton Brook Action Group	Propose addition of following to first sentence; “tributaries such as Wootton Brook.”
Para. 3.16	Wootton Brook Action Group	Expand penultimate sentence to read; “low combined sensitivity, however existing housing in this area is subject to frequent flooding.”
Para. 3.15 & 3.16	English Heritage	End of 3.15 contradicts with start of 3.16.
Paras. 3.16 to 3.19	Environment Agency	Tributaries referred to are the Wootton Brook and Brampton Branch of the River Nene.
Para. 3.18	English Heritage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Setting of Moulton Conservation Area should be included. • Boughton Park could constrain development to the east too. • Should make reference to Northampton Battlefield as a constraint.
Para. 3.19	English Heritage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Should refer to Scheduled Ancient Monument (SAM) near Upton.
Para. 3.19	Northampton Borough Council	Upton is not a conservation area.
Para. 3.32	English Heritage	Should state that Grand Union Canal is designated as a conservation area, along with Daventry Reservoir.
Paras. 3.37 to 3.44	English Heritage	Should make reference to Turweston Conservation Area and listed buildings.
Chapter 4	Pegasus Group (on behalf of Persimmon Homes, Redrow)	Support methodology and consider that proposed reasonable alternatives to be appraised are sufficient to address the shortcomings identified during the course of the EIP.

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	Homes, Barratt Homes and David Wilson Homes)	
Para. 4.2	Hunsbury and Collingtree Residents Alliance	Propose re-wording of 'close collaboration' to strengthen transparent process.
Para. 4.8 & Table 4.1	Environment Agency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health Add the following appraisal question: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Minimise and reduce local flood related risks to the population and the environment and adverse impacts on human health? • Water Amend following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ "Maintain and continue to improve the ecological and chemical quality of groundwater and river surface waters." ○ "Development likely to affect the ecological and chemical status of groundwater and surface waters and the ability of receiving water to accept additional flows?" ○ Remove reference to PPS25 and refer to NPPF and its Planning Practice Guidance and add LLFA (Local Lead Flood Authority). <p>Add the following appraisal questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The sustainable use of water resources? ○ The requirements of the Water Framework Directive River Basin Management Plans being met (inc. improvement of water bodies)? ○ Maintain and enhance riverside and water based recreational activities (including navigation, angling, canoeing).
Para. 4.8 & Table 4.1	English Heritage	Using same SA Framework seems logical although prevents updating of SA objectives, as per previous comments on SA Scoping Report for Part 2.
Para. 4.8 & Table 4.1	Natural England	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biodiversity, flora and fauna Add the following appraisal question: Would the option have the effect of prejudicing future habitat restoration (e.g. by developing

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		<p>the only land capable of linking two ancient woodland blocks)?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soil, geology and land use <p>Add the following appraisal question: Avoidance of the loss of best and most versatile soils?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Landscape and townscape <p>Add the following appraisal question: Linking open space etc, and avoids impacts on the quality and extent of existing recreational assets, such as formal or informal footpaths?</p>
Para. 4.8 & Table 4.1	Hunsbury and Collingtree Residents Alliance	<p>Amend title of table 1.1 to show: “Appraisal questions. Will the plan/option/reasonable alternative site lead to...?”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air quality and noise <p>Propose change to first test into two options. There are conflicts between SA Objectives and appraisal questions. What does ‘sensitive’ development mean?</p>
Para. 4.8 & Table 4.1	Wootton Brook Action Group	<p>Questions in second column need to be listed in same order as the objectives in the left hand column, response proposes new layout and following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air quality and noise <p>Contradictory questions. Modern lifestyles based on the use of the motor car. Nothing in these policies will change habits. Add the following appraisal questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Improvements in terms of reduced travel times and increased frequency of local transport. Infrastructure. ○ Improvements in terms of available routes. ○ Location of development in areas of high noise. ○ Location of development in areas of poor air quality. ○ Result in increased noise/vibration levels for existing housing. ○ Result in increased air pollution for existing housing. <p>What is meant by ‘sensitive’?</p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crime and community safety <p>Add the following appraisal question:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Change the characteristics of the local community in terms of the type and mix of existing local housing. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education and training <p>Add the following appraisal questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adequate supporting educational infrastructure both primary and secondary associated with new residential developments. • Travel through known traffic bottlenecks. • Health and well being <p>Add the following appraisal questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of adequate local health facilities. • Improve access to health care for the existing local residents. • Improve the quality of homes in relation to the existing housing in the area. • Labour market and economy. <p>Add the following appraisal questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Minimise travel distances and times to work and commuting by modes other than car ○ Ensure access to employment by public transport, walking and cycling. ○ Include commercial/industrial development within the site. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Material assets <p>Add the following appraisal questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sufficient affordable housing...economy, without changing the character of the local community. • Reduction in the value of the existing local housing stock. • Development which...for older people, those with disabilities and those wishing to downsize in locations close to local services/facilities. • Social deprivation <p>Do not understand objective.</p>

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		<p>Add the following appraisal question:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Development which.... for older people, those with disabilities and those wishing to downsize in locations close to local services/facilities. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water <p>Add the following objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Reduce risk of flooding for both new and existing housing based on the 200 year storm +30% criteria. ○ Accessibility/integration and size of site. ○ To ensure new development in urban areas effectively supports and links new and existing communities physically and socially. <p>Add the following appraisal questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Development which.... for older people, those with disabilities and those wishing to downsize in locations close to local services/facilities. ○ Physical barriers between the new and existing communities such as railways, major roads and rivers. ○ A development of sufficient size as to provide sufficient infrastructure so as not to place a burden on the facilities available to the existing community. ○ Conflicts between the new community and the existing community due to social and economic inequalities. ○ Incorporate long term maintenance contracts, enforceable in law, over the life of the new housing. ○ Civil engineering work such as landscaping/building of roads and bridges in flood zones 2 & 3.
Para. 4.8 & Table 4.1	Barton Willmore (on behalf of Landform Estates Ltd)	Existing SA Framework is robust and comprehensive.
Para. 4.8 & Table 4.1	Ms M. Kennard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health and well being - should include questions to probe provision of open spaces to support healthy lifestyles - NPPF para. 73. • Provision of transport infrastructure to be assessed. Should include assessment of road

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		<p>capacity.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Archaeological – non-scheduled assets to be included, as per NPPF para. 139.
Para. 4.8 & Table 4.1	Ms K. Servant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Archaeology – refer to unscheduled heritage assets as per NPPF paras. 135 & 139. Cultural infrastructure should be an objective, as per NPPF para. 70. Ability to provide transport infrastructure should be considered. Health should consider wider set of questions including access to sports facilities and open space, as per NPPF Section 8.
Para. 4.9	English Heritage	Proposed scoring seems appropriate.
Paras. 4.9 to 4.15	Wootton Brook Action Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Have reservations with system. Relationship between symbols should be clearly defined and clear examples given. Any site with a significant negative should be dropped to the bottom of the list. Significant negative scores cannot be counterbalanced by significant positive results.
Para. 5.1	Wootton Brook Action Group	SA Framework should be subject to further consultation.
Para. 5.3	Wootton Brook Action Group	Proposed additional point; “Whether the questions raised in Table 4.1 of Chapter 4 are sufficient to produce a balanced and objective comparative assessment of the options.”
Appendix 1	English Heritage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Depiction of Registered Parks and Gardens is not clear. Conservation areas within Northampton are not clear. Daventry Reservoir Conservation Area is missing. Brackley map does not illustrate heritage assets to east of town, development to east would have a considerable impact on heritage assets. Data is missing to the west of Daventry.
Appendix 1	Ms M. Kennard	<p>Figure A2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> B526 is incorrectly shown as major road. <p>Figure A3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hardingstone Conservation Area is marked incorrectly. Information unreliable. <p>Figure A4</p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hardingstone and south of Brackmills have been included in "Northampton Urban Area". • Hardingstone should be separate and kept as village, as Great Houghton. Hardingstone Conservation Area Appraisal confirms Hardingstone as retaining village character.
Appendix 1	Ms K. Servant	<p>Figure A3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hardingstone Conservation Area is not accurately marked. • Road along the southern boundary of the South of Brackmills SUE shown as 'main road', but in reality it is only a minor 'B' road. <p>Figure A4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hardingstone is a village (as confirmed in character assessment of the Hardingstone Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan 2009), not urban area of Northampton. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Development site designated as green space (saved policy E6 of the Northampton Local Plan). ○ Currently agricultural land (Grade 2 and 3), open countryside forming the setting of the conservation area, and amenity open space (protected under NPPF paragraphs 70 and 74). ○ Cannot be considered 'urban' in any way.