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Exmouth Neighbourhood Plan – Submission Version Representation Form



The Exmouth Neighbourhood Plan has been prepared by Exmouth Town Council. It has now been formally submitted to East Devon District Council who are legally required to undertake public consultation.

Please return this form to East Devon District Council by Wednesday 17 October 2018. Representations received after this time will not be accepted.

Part A – Personal Details Please note we cannot accept anonymous responses.

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Please indicate whether you wish to be notified of any of the following (delete as appropriate):

The publication of the recommendations of any person appointed to carry out an independent examination of the Exmouth Neighbourhood Plan. Yes

The adoption of the Exmouth Neighbourhood Plan. Yes

Representation details

Please use a separate form for each representation

1. **To which section of the Neighbourhood Plan does this representation relate?**
(Please note that a separate form must be completed for each representation)

Policy Number (Include policy, paragraph or other reference no. if appropriate)	Policy EN4
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2. **Please use the box below to set out why you are supporting or objecting to this part of the plan.** If your comment relates to a specific area of land or site if possible please identify it on a map. Continue on a separate sheet if necessary

The Submission Version Draft NP States at Policy EN4:

“Development proposals for new renewable energy generation will be supported, provided they put in place suitable mitigation to reduce any adverse impact on the character and appearance of the area and mitigate against ecological impact on the surrounding environment.”

Bourne Leisure believes that emerging Policy EN4 should provide protection for sensitive receptors, such as residential or holiday accommodation, from potential adverse amenity impacts of renewable energy development (Policy EN4 (was EN5)).

Previous representations submitted on behalf of Bourne Leisure in March 2018 emphasised the vulnerability of caravans to noise and vibration, due to their more limited acoustic insulation. Due to the economic importance of tourism within the local and wider region, issues which negatively impact on visitor accommodation can potentially discourage tourists from visiting or returning to the area, thus having a wider adverse impact on the local economy. Whilst Bourne Leisure fully supports proposals for renewable energy generation, it is vital that the potential impacts on neighbouring uses are taken into account when applications for such development are submitted.

Such an approach is consistent with national guidance. Planning Practice Guidance (PPG) states for renewable and low carbon energy that weight should be given to protecting local amenity in relation to renewable energy proposals, in shaping the criteria to include in Local Plans (ID:5-007). Bourne Leisure considers the principle should also be applied to the formulation of neighbourhood plan policy, to ensure that the proposals contribute to the making of sustainable development, a requirement of basic condition d (ID: 41-065).

Furthermore, the PPG states that local authorities should work with the qualifying body in the preparation of neighbourhood plans (NPs), to produce *“complementary neighbourhood and local*

plans” and to minimise conflict between the two (ID:41-009). The NP should complement the East Devon District Local Plan by promoting the economic vitality of the tourism and visitor sector, particularly within the District’s coastal towns (Exmouth) (Devon District Local Plan, section 24); its policy for new renewable energy generation therefore requires amendment, to ensure consistency.

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3. What changes would you suggest should be made to the plan?

It will be helpful if you are able to put forward your suggested revised wording of any policy or text or suggested alternative policy boundary. Please be as precise as possible.

Bourne Leisure therefore requests that draft Policy EN4 is amended as follows:

“To support the principle that renewable energy proposals will be encouraged, provided they do not impact detrimentally on the landscape or ecology of the environment or cause harm to the amenity of sensitive receptors, including residential and holiday accommodation” (proposed amendments underlined)

Continue on a separate sheet if necessary

4. If your representation is seeking a change, do you consider it necessary to speak at the examination?

Please note this will not be regarded as a binding decision but will help us in our planning.

If you select No your representation(s) will still be fully considered by the independent examiner by way of written representations.

I wish to speak at the examination: No (delete as appropriate)


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5. If you wish to speak at the examination, please outline why you consider this to be necessary:

N/A

Please note the examiner will determine the most appropriate procedure to adopt to hear those who have indicated that they wish to participate in the examination. If the examiner does not consider it necessary to hold a public examination consideration will be given by way of written representations.

Data Protection- Any personal information which you provide will be held and used by East Devon District Council for the purpose of producing the neighbourhood plan and may inform other Planning Policy work. Your information may also be shared within East Devon District Council for the purposes of carrying out our lawful functions. Otherwise your personal information will not be disclosed to anybody outside East Devon District Council without your permission, unless there is a lawful reason to do so, for example disclosure is necessary for crime prevention or detection purposes. Your information will be held securely and will not be retained for any longer than is necessary. There are a number of rights available to you in relation to our use of your personal information, depending on the reason for processing. Further detail about our use of your personal information can be found in the relevant Privacy Notice which can be accessed at <http://eastdevon.gov.uk/privacy>.

Signed	
Date	17-10-2018

A signature is required by the Planning Inspectorate. If filling in the form electronically it can be an ‘electronic signature’ by typing in your name in the box. If you provide a handwritten signature we will ensure that it is not published on-line but it will be visible on the paper copies available at our offices and sent to the examiner.

Please e-mail the completed form(s) and any additional information to planningpolicy@eastdevon.gov.uk or send to Phil Twamley, Planning Policy Section, East Devon District Council, The Knowle, Sidmouth, EX10 8HL