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Organisation (where relevant): Honiton Town Council

Other party name (if relevant):

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Proposal:

5. Development in the Towns and Villages

1. To which part of the Development in the Towns and Villages chapter does your representation relate?: Policy

1(a). Please write down the paragraph, policy or figure number that your representation relates to.: SD03

2. Do you consider that this part of the Development in the Towns and Villages chapter is legally compliant?: No

2(b). If no, please give details of why you consider this part of the Development in the Towns and Villages chapter is not legally compliant. Please be as precise as possible.: Honi_12 was rejected for development by EDDC in the public consultation process which ran from November 2022 to January 2023. Rejection of Honi_12 for development was reiterated by EDDC in July 2023 and June 2024. The agenda for EDDC's Strategic Planning Committee meeting on the 20th September 2024 confirmed that Honi_12 was not recommended for development. However, the agenda for the Strategic Planning Committee meeting on the 29 October 2024 recommended Honi_12 for housing allocation and the Committee resolved to include Honi_12 in the site allocation.

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It is clear that for both sites, Honi_12 and Honi_18 EDDC failed to properly consult on the allocation of these sites and their inclusion in Strategic Policy SD03: Honiton and its development allocations is not legally compliant

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Should sites Honi_07 and Honi_18 be allocated for development, Honiton Town Council would ask that the original boundaries be reinstated.

2(c). Please set out the modification(s) you consider necessary to make this part of the Development in the Towns and Villages chapter legally compliant, in respect of any matters you have identified above. You will need to say why each modification will make this part of the Introduction chapter legally compliant. It will be helpful if you are able to put forward your suggested revised wording for the relevant policy or paragraph. Please be as precise as possible.: Honi_07, Honi_12 and Honi_18 should be removed as development sites from the Local Plan.

3. Do you consider that this part of the Development in the Towns and Villages chapter is sound?: No

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4. Do you consider that this part of the Development in the Towns and Villages chapter complies with the duty to cooperate?: No

4(b). If no, please give details of why you consider this part of the Development in the Towns and Villages chapter fails to comply with the duty to co-operate. Please be as precise as possible.: Honi_12 was rejected for development by EDDC in the public consultation process which ran from November 2022 to January 2023. Rejection of Honi_12 for development was reiterated by EDDC in July 2023 and June 2024. The agenda for EDDC's Strategic Planning Committee meeting on the 20th September 2024 confirmed that Honi_12 was not recommended for development. However, the agenda for the Strategic Planning Committee meeting on the 29 October 2024 recommended Honi_12 for housing allocation and the Committee resolved to include Honi_12 in the site allocation.

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5. If your representation is seeking a modification to the plan, do you consider it necessary to participate in examination hearing session(s)?: Yes, I wish to participate in hearing session(s)

6. If you wish to participate in the hearing session(s), please outline why you consider this to be necessary.: Honiton Town Council wishes to ensure that its objections are put to the Planning Inspector by a representative of the Council.