

BLACKPOOL LOCAL PLAN PART 2: SITE ALLOCATIONS AND DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT POLICIES

DUTY TO COOPERATE - DRAFT STATEMENT OF COMMON GROUND

Schedule of Representations Received to Consultation (February to April 2021)

April 2021

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Consultee	Summary of comment received	Council Response
<p>Environment Agency (EA)</p>	<p>Paragraph reference 2.4</p> <p>To more accurately reflect the environmental issues we have commented on, EA suggests that paragraph 2.4 is revised as follows:</p> <p><i>'The Environment Agency is a statutory consultee in the DPD preparation process and Blackpool Council has collaborated and consulted with the EA on a number of matters relating to flood risk, water quality, contaminated land and biodiversity throughout the preparation of the Local Plan, including the preparation and update of the Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA).'</i></p>	<p>Comment noted and paragraph 2.4 amended to include proposed EA wording to read:</p> <p>The Environment Agency is a statutory consultee in the DPD preparation process and Blackpool Council has collaborated and consulted with the EA on a number of matters relating to flood risk, <u>water quality, contaminated land and biodiversity</u> drainage and waste water treatment throughout the preparation of the Local Plan, including the preparation and update of the Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA).</p>
<p>Historic England (HE)</p>	<p>HE stated that it is the Government's statutory adviser on all matters relating to the historic environment in England; and that they are a non-departmental public body established under the National Heritage Act 1983 and sponsored by the Department for Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS). HE highlights that they champion and protect England's historic places, providing expert advice to local planning authorities, developers, owners and communities to help ensure our historic environment is properly understood, enjoyed and cared for.</p> <p>In terms of their area of interest, HE do not have any additional comments to make on the content of the report.</p>	<p>Comment noted.</p> <p>No change required.</p>

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<p>Natural England (NE)</p>	<p>NE stated that they are a non-departmental public body and their statutory purpose is to ensure that the natural environment is conserved, enhanced, and managed for the benefit of present and future generations, thereby contributing to sustainable development.</p> <p>NE confirm that the Council has sought NE cooperation and guidance through the planning process and have prepared a plan that responds effectively to the issues affecting the natural environment.</p> <p>NR state that if the Council considers it would be helpful to set out a schedule of the representations NE have submitted on the Local Plan and how these have been addressed, they state please let us have a draft so they can confirm the details by an exchange of letters.</p>	<p>Comments noted.</p> <p>No change required.</p> <p>With respect to the representations received from NE and the Council's response in relation to the Blackpool Local Plan Part 2. These representations are set out in the Council's Consultation Statement December 2020 and the Statement of Representations to the Local Plan Part 2 Regulation 22 (1) (c) (v) document.</p>
<p>Highways England (HE)</p>	<p>HE welcome the amendment to paragraph 2.14 Statement of Common Ground that they recommended, which referred to ongoing dialogue with Highways England to assess the impacts of the Local Plan upon the SRN.</p>	<p>Comment noted.</p> <p>No change required.</p>

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<p>Fylde Borough Council</p>	<p>Paragraph reference – 1.19</p> <p>Fylde Borough Council raised the issue that the Statement of Common Ground at paragraph 1.19 needs to be brought up to date so that it will be correct at the time of submission.</p>	<p>Comments noted.</p> <p>Updated information on the latest position in relation to the progress of the Fylde Local Plan Partial Review has been included at paragraphs 1.20 of the final SoCG to read:</p> <p>Fylde published their Regulation 18 document in April 2019. <u>Regulation 19 consultation was undertaken from 23 July 2020 to 3 September 2020. Following this consultation, the Plan was submitted to the Secretary of State for Examination, along with accompanying documents, on 21st October 2020. The Examination Hearing took place over 17-18 March 2021, to be followed by a consultation on Main Modifications.</u></p> <p>Subsequent paragraphs renumbered with the stage of Wyre’s Local Plan Review now stated at new paragraph 1.24.</p>