

North Warwickshire Local Plan Examination

Response to the Inspectors matters, Issues and Questions on behalf of Tarmac Trading Ltd

INSP2 – Additional Questions

Administrative matters, modifications to the LP

Tarmac Trading Ltd (Tarmac) made representations to the Submission Draft of the North Warwickshire Local Plan in January 2018 (Regulation 19 consultation). Tarmac's representations were given representor reference SLP70.

We have sought further clarification from the Authority over the reporting procedure of representations as they were difficult to locate. Whilst, we are satisfied that the representations have been provided to the Inspector, we have concerns over the approach/justification for amendments/modifications as these are not fully explained within the Planning Authorities summary documents.

For example, the Planning Authority identify document CD/1 as their initial/draft list of proposed modifications (document NWBC11 para 2.5 in response to Question 16 of the Inspectors Further Matters, Issues and Questions). The second tab on the excel spreadsheet in document CD1/3 'summary of reps against DSLP' includes Tarmac's comments on paragraph 10.6 (line 236 – replicated below). As we object to the inclusion of the wording, the change sought would be its removal. The Local Planning Authority do not consider a change is required. However, there is no reference/explanation of the justification for this stance.

Chapter / Policy/ Document	Section	Page Number	Para	Summary of reps	Change sought	Rep references	Council Response
10		47	10.6	Object to paragraph 10.6 - it is not for NWBC to identify the restoration of mineral sites		SLP70A	No change

A similar approach is taken to comments made on Policy LP14. Objection was raised to the Policy wording as the approach to Ancient Woodland was non-compliant with the NPPF. Questions on Policy soundness are considered to be a main issue. However, reference is made in the summary table to document CD/1 (row 238) that no policy amendments are required without any explanation/justification as to why the Policy as worded is considered compliant.

We maintain that Tarmac do not need to attend the Examination Hearing Sessions to discuss these matters, and the Inspector has the powers to recommend further modifications. However, we consider it important that the Inspector is made aware of concerns regarding the ease in finding reference to the representations made, the clear reporting of comments made and the transparency in justifying or otherwise modifications to the Plan within the representation summary documents.