



Crawley

Local Plan

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Crawley Submission draft Local Plan Representation

Please return your completed representation form to Crawley Borough Council.

Representations can be made via this form and emailed to strategic.planning@crawley.gov.uk or sent via post to: Local Plan Consultation, Strategic Planning, Crawley Borough Council, Town Hall, The Boulevard, Crawley, RH10 1UZ. Alternatively, representations can be made online using the [eform](#) which allows attachments of documents.

This form has two parts:

PART A – Personal details

By law, representations cannot be made anonymously. All representations will be published alongside your name, company name (if applicable), and your client's name/company (if applicable). The Council will use the information you submit to assist with formulating planning policy.

Further information about Data Protection Rights in line with the provisions of the General Data Protection Regulations and Data Protection Act 2018, for example, how to contact the Data Protection Officer, how long information is held or how we process your personal information can be found at www.crawley.gov.uk/privacy. Specific reference to the Local Plan and planning policy related public consultation can be found [here](#).

PART B – Your representation

Please fill in a separate sheet for each representation you wish to make. You may submit multiple "PART B" sections with a single "PART A" completed.

PART A – Personal details

Please ensure that you complete all fields in 1. If a planning agent is appointed, please enter the Title, Name and Organisation in 1, and complete the full contact details of the agent in 2.

	1. Personal details	2. Agent's details
Title:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
First name:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Surname:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Organisation:	<input type="text" value="[Resident 37]"/>	<input type="text"/>
Address line 1:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Address line 2:

Town/city:

Postcode:

Telephone:

Email:

PART B – Your representation

3. Please tick the document that you would like to make a representation on:

- Crawley submission Local Plan
- Crawley submission Local Plan Map
- Crawley submission Sustainability Appraisal
- Habitats Regulation Assessment Screening Report

4. Which part of the Local Plan does this representation relate to?

Paragraph: Policy: Other:

5. Do you consider the Local Plan to be: (Please tick)

- 5.1. Legally compliant? Yes No
- 5.2. Sound? Yes No
- 5.3. Compliant with the duty to co-operate? Yes No

6. Please give details explaining your response to 5.1, 5.2, or 5.3 below. Please be as clear as possible.

Thank you so ***** much for dropping another heap of **** on the poor residents of Balcombe Road. As if it's not bad enough that your mates in Reigate and Banstead have saddled us with this massive so called Business Park across the road, you now want to build another one just to the south of us. Do you not think we have suffered enough? Just because we live near an airport and already suffer all the noise and air pollution that entails, that does not mean we have given up all rights to the consideration of our quality of life and wellbeing.

I sat through the sham of a Local Plan inquiry and heard you people saying that you supported the Business Park because you needed more "employment land" and there was not enough in Crawley because you couldn't build on the "safeguarded" land for the airport. But here you are plonking a factory estate in the middle of it. If the "safeguarded" land is no longer safeguarded why choose that bit?

What I learnt from going through the Reigate and Banstead local plan process is that it is an utter waste of time for a local resident to make any objections to the plan because they will not be taken any notice of by the council or the Government Inspector. The so called public

consultation is merely a box ticking exercise to give the process a false veneer of respectability. All the process is really for is to give landowners and other vested interests a chance to influence the results. The Town and Country Planning Act was no doubt well intentioned when it was passed just after the Second World war, but it has become prostituted into a method of controlling land values. The Local Plan process is no more than a squabble between landowners as to whose land becomes more or less valuable.

And another thing. No one but a fool would embark on an exercise like this in the middle of a global pandemic when the economy is in tatters and no one, absolutely no one, can make any serious predictions as to what the economy is likely to do in the short, medium or long term. One of justifications for the factory estate is that a large number of jobs have been lost in the aviation industry. Well there's a surprise when there's a travel ban on. There is no evidence that those jobs will not re-appear when the pandemic is finally behind us and people can travel freely again. Furthermore, if it were true that the jobs were lost for good, what about all the space vacated as a result. That could be reused for new purposes.

It would be much more honest if you said that you were going to allocate this land unless some other landowner makes you a better offer and there's absolutely nothing we can do about it, instead of pretending that we do. As I live across the border, I don't even have the satisfaction, small though it is, of voting against you.

If required, please continue your response on an additional piece of paper and securely attach it to this response

- 7. Please set out what modification(s) you consider necessary to resolve the issues you have identified above. You need to state why this modification will make the Local Plan legally compliant or sound. It would be helpful if you are able to suggest how the wording of any policy or text should be revised. Please be as clear as possible. Any non-compliance with the duty to co-operate is incapable of modification at examination.**

Postpone the review until the Economic and social situation has at least some measure of clarity. Delete the policy relating to a factory estate south of the M23 Gatwick extension.

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*Your representation should cover succinctly all the information, evidence and supporting information necessary to support/justify the representation and the suggested modification, as there will not normally be a subsequent opportunity to make further representations. **After this stage, further submissions will only be at the request of the Inspector, based on the matters and issues s/he identifies for examination.***

- 8. If your representation is seeking a modification, do you consider it necessary to participate in the public examination hearings? (Please tick)**

No, I do not wish to participate in the examination hearings

Yes, I wish to participate in the examination hearings

- 9. If you wish to participate in the public examination hearings, please outline why you consider this to be necessary:**

The Inspector will determine the most appropriate procedure to adopt to hear those who have indicated that they wish to participate at the public examination.

If you would like to make a representation on another policy or part of the Local Plan then please complete a separate PART B section of the form or securely attach an additional piece of paper. Copies of the representation form can also be downloaded from the council's website at: www.crawley.gov.uk/localplanreview

Signature

[Redacted Signature]

Date

02/03/2021