

South Worcestershire Development Plan Draft Submission Document

Statement of Representations Procedure

The South Worcestershire Councils intend to submit the South Worcestershire Development Plan Document to the Secretary of State of Communities and Local Government with the intention of moving towards an Examination in Public and subsequent adoption of the Plan. The proposed submission documents are being published for public representations in respect of issues around legal compliance and soundness (see the Guidance Notes for definitions) which will form the focus of all representations.

Title of document

South Worcestershire Development Plan

Subject matter and area covered

The South Worcestershire Development Plan (SWDP) sets out the key elements of the planning framework for the area. It comprises a long-term spatial vision and strategic objectives, a spatial strategy, core policies, strategic and non-strategic site allocations, and a monitoring and implementation framework with clear objectives for achieving its delivery. The SWDP Draft Submission Document takes account of:

- the South Worcestershire Joint Core Strategy “Issues and Options” and Preferred Option” consultations; and
- the SWDP “Preferred Option” and “Proposed Significant Changes” consultations.

Once the outcome of the Draft Submission Document consultation is known, the resulting document will be submitted to the Secretary of State with the intention of moving to an Examination in Public in the Summer of 2013 and subsequent adoption of the SWDP in late 2013.

Period within which representations must be made

Representations can be made over a six-week period, beginning on Friday 11 January 2013. Representations should arrive no later than 5pm on Friday 22 February 2013. Responses received after the due time and date will be considered to have not been duly made.

The prescribed form should be used.

Representations must be sent to:

South Worcestershire Development Plan Team,
FREEPOST: RLTS-XRLK- AKGK
Orchard House, Farrier Street,
Worcester, WR1 3BB

Or

contact@swdevelopmentplan.org

Please note the following:

1. Representations may be by post, email or on-line.
2. Representations should be made using the prescribed form provided.
3. Representations may be accompanied by a request to be notified at a specified address of any of the following:
 - a. that the SWDP has been submitted for independent examination;
 - b. the publication of the recommendations of any person appointed to carry out an independent examination of the SWDP;
 - c. the adoption of the SWDP.

If you do require this notification, please remember to specify this on the standard response form and your contact address.

Handling of representations

- Part B of the response form will be scanned and placed onto the SWDP website so that they are publically available;
- Representations will be entered onto the SWDP representations database that will be shared with the planning Inspectorate.

Arrangements for inspection of the South Worcestershire Development Plan and other proposed submission documents

All proposed submission documents, including background papers and the Integrated Assessment appraisal are available to view on the SWDP website at:

www.swdevelopmentplan.org

There are several places across South Worcestershire where the proposed submission documents will be available for inspection (free of charge) during the six-week representation period (prescribed representation forms are also available from these locations):

All proposed Submission Documents will be available for inspection at the offices of Malvern Hills District, Worcester City and Wychavon District Councils.