



**Notice of Consultation and Statement of Representations Procedure on the New Forest National Park Submission Draft Local Plan (Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) Regulations 2012 (Regulations 19 and 35))**

**Title of the plan:** New Forest National Park Submission Draft Local Plan 2016 – 2036

**Subject matter and area covered by the plan:** The New Forest National Park Authority has prepared the Regulation 19 draft Local Plan for submission to the Secretary of State for Communities & Local Government in Spring 2018 for independent examination. The Local Plan is a key document which sets out the spatial strategy for the National Park up to 2036 and includes specific planning policies to address the key issues facing the National Park. It identifies the level of development over the plan period together with development management policies and site specific allocations for development.

**Period of publication for representations:** Representations are invited on the Submission draft Local Plan for a 6-week period commencing on Wednesday 17 January and ending at 5.00pm on Wednesday 28 February 2018. Comments received outside these dates will not be accepted.

**Where to view the Local Plan and supporting documents:** The Submission draft Local Plan, supporting documents and guidance on how to make a representation are available to view and download at [www.newforestnpa.gov.uk/localplan](http://www.newforestnpa.gov.uk/localplan). The Local Plan, supporting documents and guidance on how to make a representation are also available to view at the New Forest National Park Authority office at Lymington Town Hall, Avenue Road, Lymington, SO41 9ZG between the hours of 9am to 4.30pm Monday to Friday.

**How to make representations:** Representations may be made in writing, by email or online. Representations should be returned by email to [policy@newforestnpa.gov.uk](mailto:policy@newforestnpa.gov.uk) or in writing to the address above. People making representations will be notified of future stages. All comments received will be submitted to the Secretary of State and considered as part of a public examination by an independent Planning Inspector. Representations at this stage should focus on the legal and procedural compliance of the Local Plan, the soundness of the Local Plan and whether the Local Plan is in conformity with the Duty to Cooperate.

Please note that copies of the representations received will be made available for the public to view (including your name, but will not include any personal addresses, email details or signatures), and therefore cannot be treated as confidential.

Date: 19 January 2018

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