

To which part of the Proposed Changes to the Borough Local Plan Submission Version (2020 – 2038) as set out in the Development Strategy Topic Paper Addendum does this representation relate?

7.1 Land north of Birchfield Grove Hawkhurst

Which part of the plan does your comment relate?

Policy

What is the reference number?

AL/HA 5

Do you consider the Proposed Changes to the Borough Local Plan Submission Version (2020 – 2038) would make it:

Yes No

Legally Compliant Not Selected Selected

Sound Not Selected Selected

Please give details of why you consider the Proposed Changes to the Borough Local Plan Submission Version (2020 - 2038)(as set out in the Development Strategy Topic Paper Addendum) are not legally compliant or are unsound. Please be as precise as possible. If you wish to support the legal compliance or soundness of the Proposed Changes to the Borough Local Plan Submission Version (2020 – 2038) (as set out in the Development Strategy Topic Paper Addendum) please also use this box to set out your comments.

Building on green-field AONB, previously rejected by Inspectors & Council, should not be considered, particularly when brown field sites are available.

Please set out what modification(s) you consider necessary to the Proposed Changes to the Borough Local Plan Submission Version (2020 – 2038) Incorporating the Proposed Changes set out in the Development Strategy Topic Paper Addendum, legally compliant or sound, having regard to the Matter you have identified at Section 5 (above) where this relates to legal compliance or soundness. You will need to say why this modification will make the Proposed Changes to the Borough Local Plan Submission Version (2020 – 2038) legally compliant or sound. It will be helpful if you are able to put forward your suggested revised wording of any policy or text. Please be as precise as possible.

Within Hawkhurst a medical centre could be sited on brown field NHS land at Hawkhurst Community Hospital, for example, although it would not provide the same benefits to the Doctors.

70 houses could be built on the 31% non-AONB within TWBC rather than the 69% AONB, which includes the whole of Hawkhurst.

Such changes would conform with Government policy.

Please use this box for any other comments you wish to make.

As appeal after appeal for planning permission is put forward by Rydon for the development of 70 houses and a Medical Centre on land north of Birchfield Grove, my objections against this become even stronger than before! No improvements have taken place to help with traffic, pollution, sewage, or local jobs etc., so no change there. What seems to have changed are actions or non actions of TWBC. I would say Devious acts.

1 Why should the Committee Chairman, a Hawkhurst & Sandhurst councillor, vote FOR the application?

2 Why should Councillor Ellen Neville be barred from voting on a technicality because she had previously objected?

3 Why did Councillors have to sign a non-disclosure agreement prior, so that it could not be discussed with voters ?

4. The Planning Dept. ignored the question regarding due diligence carried out on Rydon. Why?

5 The minutes were not accurately recorded. The statement by the a Councillor saying "Of course if we vote against this application, it would cost the Council £1 million to defend our position"? This statement is NOT recorded.

All the above makes me wonder, had the decision to approve the application been made BEFORE the meeting?

Sensible discussions made by previous experts have been ignored by TWBC Planning Committee.

The majority of people in Hawkhurst are NOT being listened too. Over 200 objections against and only 7 for! This should tell the Council our wishes.

Many residents of Hawkhurst are in favour of developing Hawkhurst Cottage Hospital into a 1st class Medical Centre on land already available and Not on AONB land.

The Government are in favour of developing brown field sites around urban centres and where people already have amenities, transport and local jobs.

TWBC, Reject the Application and preserve our country side. AND site a new Medical Centre where the Hawkhurst Hospital is now.

In hope of common sense coming to the fore.

If your representation is seeking a modification, do you consider it necessary to participate at the examination hearings stage when it resumes?

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