Submission LPMM68_1

1) Please confirm which document this representation relates to.

Schedule of Proposed Main Modifications

2) Please confirm which part of the document this representation relates to? (If your representation relates to multiple sections and/or documents, please add separate comment(s) to the relevant section on this event page)

If Main Modification (please quote number e.g. MM1):

MM159

Chapter and (if applicable) subheading:

Policy/ Paragraph number:

AL/PE 4 (pages 285-286)

3) Do you consider the Main Modification/ document on which you are commenting, makes the Borough Local Plan Submission Version (2020 – 2038):

Yes No

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Legally Compliant

Sound

4) Please give details of why you consider the Main Modification/ document not to be legally compliant or sound. Please be as precise as possible and provide evidence to support this. Or if you wish to support the legal compliance or soundness of a main Modification/ document, please also use this box to set out your comments.

A single point of vehicular access for new housing in Pembury from Church Road would exacerbate existing traffic congestion along Church Road/Maidstone Road. Church Road is basically a single carriageway due to the parked cars of existing residences. There is additional traffic and congestion during the primary school drop off and pick up times - to the point that a request for double yellow lines at the junction of Church Road has been pursued by many residents because of the safety issues to both drivers and pedestrians. Additional vehicles using Church Road as an access road to additional housing would further compromise the safety of drivers, residents, and pedestrians. The necessary construction vehicles also required for the housing to be built would add additional pressure to an already overloaded village road. The proposed development will substantially increase traffic volumes.

5) If you do not agree with the proposed Main Modification/ document please set out what modification(s) you consider necessary to make the Local Plan legally compliant or sound, having regard to the Matter you have identified in question 4 (above) where this relates to legal compliance or soundness. Please be as precise as possible.

Appropriate alternative access to the proposed housing development(s) should be considered, either via the main road through the village - Maidstone Road - or from the bypass.

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

As above, there is already considerable pressure on the village from traffic generally. The proposed developments in and around the village without additional infrastructure considerations - especially another primary school - will mean that all children from the new proposed housing developments will filter down to the existing primary school which is located next to Church Road. The pressure of this additional traffic alone will negatively impact the quality of life for residents, including increased noise and air pollution. To add to this additional traffic from the new housing development will have a negative impact on all residents in this area.

7) Please tick this box if you wish to be kept informed about the Inspector's Report and/ or adoption of the Local Plan.

Yes, please keep me informed