

**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?**

4.0 Paddock Wood strategic growth

**Which part of the plan does your comment relate?**

Paragraph

**What is the reference number?**

4.17

**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.**

There is already a risk of flooding to existing properties within Paddock Wood, from the three housing developments that are currently in progress.

The land to the east of the town is on a flood plain, and is regulary waterlogged in the winter months. Further building here would only exarbate the problem

**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.**

The first thing would be to reduce the number of houses built by a significant amount.

All properties built in this area should be designed to limit the flood risk to neighbouring areas. A suggestion could be that the properties are raise up on stilts, so that the ground underneath them still allows water to drain and soak away.

All paved areas should be made of porous materials, including roads, pathways and driveways, allowing the water to soak away naturally and not overload the drainage network

**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