

Part of Neighbourhood Plan	Comment
Policy No. Mart10 Local Green Space	The proposed designation of Middle Street Field as a Local Green Space (Site N, Policy Mart10) fails to comply with criteria set out in national policy and advice, and consequently fails to satisfy the Local Green Space designation tests set out in the NPPF (para. 100). This failure is recognised in the Neighbourhood Plan itself which acknowledges that the proposed designation fails to meet 2 of the 3 criteria.
	A response has been received supporting this section of the Plan. Stating that the Middle Street Field is the last remaining enclosed field within the Bower Hinton Conservation Area and should therefore be preserved (Pg.29, section 8.33 site N).
	8.33 Middle Street Field (site N) includes an area currently used as a parking area the owner of which was not consulted before the plan was drawn up. It was requested to remove this part of the site designation.
Policy No. Mart13 Accommodating Growth	A response provided general support for Policy Mart13 which seeks to enable appropriate sites to come forward for development. Clarity is required on how local need should be demonstrated and this requirement should only apply to development proposals of 10 or more dwellings.
	The Settlement Area depicted in Map 6 on page 36 does not include a part of the land owned by William Sparrow Ltd that was previously allocated and has outline planning permission for Industrial use - indicated on an attached map. It is considered that the land should be included within the Martock Settlement Area..
Policy No. Mart14 Local Green Gap	Two objections have been received from land owners regarding the designation of land owned by them as a green gap. They propose to remove the local green space as detailed in Mart14 and rely on existing planning policies to allow building as appropriate.
	Remove the land identified as Policy MB1 in the Local Plan Review Preferred Option document, June 2019 (LPR) and part of the adjacent field from the Local Green Gap allocation, as the current proposals within the MNP do not support the delivery of strategic policies contained in the LPR, which is contrary to policy within the NPPF.
	Remove part the land to the north of Stapleton Close (identified on an attached plan) from the Local Green Gap allocation, as there is insufficient justification for inclusion of this land in the Local Green Gap. Part of the land could form a logical infill site for development, which would support the delivery of strategic policies contained in the Local Plan Review, which is contrary to policy within the NPPF.
Policy No. Mart17 Housing Development	It is not clear how this policy relates to the Settlement Area Boundary or any future allocations which will be made in the Local Plan Review to deliver the minimum housing requirement for the settlement. The requirement to contribute to meeting an objectively assessed housing need appears to be a repetition of Mart13 and should not need to be

	demonstrated for the development of an allocated site and could be in conflict with development plan policy. The other requirements of this policy are agreed.
	The land that forms Policy MB1 within the Local Plan Review and the adjacent land to the west should be allocated for housing development, to ensure that the Neighbourhood Plan conforms to the Local Plan and is consistent with delivery of strategic policies contained within the Local Plan and policy contained within the NPPF.
	The land to the north of Stapleton Close should be allocated for housing development, to ensure that the Neighbourhood Plan conforms to the Local Plan and is consistent with delivery of strategic policies contained within the Local Plan and policy contained within the NPPF. Alternatively the development boundary could be extended to include the land to the north of Stapleton Close.
Policy No. Mart23 Business Areas	Policy Mart23 supports business development including a proportionate expansion of 4 sites including the Sparrow Works (listed as site C but shown on Map 8 as site D) which the owner's site falls partly within. On Page 48 and the corresponding Map on Page 49 there is a mix up between "C" and "D". "C" Should read Stoke Road. "D" Should read Sparrow Works