

Ilminster Neighbourhood Plan Response Form

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- The Ilminster Neighbourhood Plan now been formally submitted to South Somerset District Council who are legally required to undertake public consultation.
- Please use this form if you wish to support or object to the Ilminster Neighbourhood Plan.
- Please return this form by **midnight on 8 July 2022**. Representations received after this date will not be accepted.

Completed Forms should be returned:

- By post to the Planning Policy Team, South Somerset District Council at the address above
- By e-mail to: planningpolicy@southsomerset.gov.uk

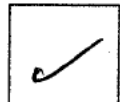
Part A- Contact Details

Personal Details	Agent's Details* (if applicable)
Name: [Redacted] Organisation: <small>If Applicable</small> Address: [Redacted] Postcode: [Redacted] Email: [Redacted] Tel: [Redacted]	Agent Name: Company Name: Address: Postcode: Email: Tel:
Signature: [Redacted]	Date: 15/6/22

*If an agent is used, please provide the contact details of the agent. Where an agent is used, the agent will be responsible for the content of their comments.

Please note that representations should be attributable to named individuals or organisations at a postal address. We are required to send comments received in full to the Examiner, but we won't be placing the comments on the Council's website. Comments will be kept for three months from when the plan is formally made. Any personal contact details received will otherwise only be used by the District Council to keep the respondent informed of the Neighbourhood Plan's progress. A summary of any representations received will be published on the Council's Website. Respondents should take care that their comments could not be traced back to them and to not reveal any identifying factors in their statements.

Please confirm you give your consent to the above use of your contact details. Please Tick Box



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Part B – Your Comments

<p>1. To which proposed section or policy does your representation relate?</p> <p><i>Please use a separate form for each section or policy you wish to comment on.</i></p>	<p>For Office Use Only</p> <p>Ref: _____</p>
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Ilminster Neighbourhood plan Reg 16

2. Please outline your comments below (continue on an additional sheet if necessary)

I am opposed to Ilminster Neighbourhood Plan following the removal of all sites after Reg14 consultation .
 The plan should not go to Referendum unless it has been revised to include development sites following proper consultation with the community, taking into account the aim to provide residents the opportunity to influence development sites and the number of dwellings.
 There is no shared vision for the future of Ilminster because of serious lack of consultation and the community not being kept up to date or properly engaged during the Plan's progress.

3. What Changes would you suggest should be made to the Plan?

Development sites should be re-instated based on the response made by the community during Reg 14 consultation.

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Future Progress of the Neighbourhood Plan for ~~North Sturton and Yarnston~~ ILMINSTER

<p>Please indicate if you wish to be notified about subsequent progress of the Neighbourhood Plan, including when the District Council makes a decision about (making) the plan (under Regulation 19) by ticking here, We will contact you by e-mail unless you advise otherwise.</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>
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Registering My Objection to the Proposed Planning Permission:
Shudrick Valley Ilminster

Dear Sir / Madam

I have visited Ilminster many times. It is a lovely town which over time has expanded to the West side leaving the Eastern side unspoilt, this will have been done by design. This proposed development will take away the charm of the Shudrick Valley, an asset to the community & by slowly surrounding the old part of the town, once permission is granted more of the Eastern side will be looked at to be built on, this is happening where I live now, the heart will be taken from it as though strangled & could stop it from being a thriving bustling town visited by many to at best one without a heart at worst one with closed high street shops.

My objections to this Development are:

- 1:** Shudrick valley has already had 3 previous planning inspectors reject the proposal, how many more are needed to confirm Shudrick Valley is not to be built on.
- 2:** There are two other site areas which could be developed.
 - a) Station Rd on the "Brown Field" sites, an eye soar as you arrive. Today (15th June 2022) the Prime Minister, Boris Johnson said during PM question time in parliament in answer to a question. "Brown Field sites should be prioritised when new home developments were being considered" a clear instruction to all councils.
 - b) Around the area of the new estate on Canal Way where the infrastructure will be more capable of accommodating an increase in use rather than the old drains to the east.
 - c) The land here is flatter & would enable better use of the land to build a well-designed estate rather than the slopes of Shudrick Valley where land would not be used, reducing the potential for new houses.
- 3:** I have seen the Shudrick Valley field flooded, the stream may be further covered making it much harder to clear obstructions causing flooding in any new houses built in the valley or further downstream in the town.

4: the current roads would not support a large increase in traffic & could cause residence to have difficulty leaving their property & could increase the risk of serious accidents.

5: The Shudrick Valley is high quality agricultural land & should be used for this purpose.

6: Those locals who are objecting have to self fund their campaign to preserve the valley as an asset to the community, these funds are limited compared to the construction companies. The building application has already been turned down on at least 3 occasions by the Town Council. The town council are best placed to know what's best for Ilminster & the Shudrick Valley, how many more times does Save Shudrick Valley Group and all the other groups also campaigning against this proposal have to look for funds to pay for lawyers, surveys, leaflets. A David V Goliath fight, one they have to continue to fight and one they have already won 3 times but still have to continue to fight, for the Valley, for Ilminster, for the Community.

7: The disruption & traffic congestion caused during the construction as the lorries use the narrow lanes, the mud that will be left in the road. Long sections of road being run under traffic lights causing long delays to the community when already there is a good access to Station Road & Canal Way. Roads designed for heavy vehicles with easy access from the A303.

8: Who will pay for the increase in damage to Townsend road & the properties as their foundations shaken with the increase in heavy traffic whether it comes from the North down Townsend or through the hamlet of Kingston Cross? It will not be the construction company, it will come from the council's already tight budget.

Shudrick Valley is a beautiful unspoilt valley with history & a wide selection of wild life, a place to walk & look across Ilminster. The community deserve to keep this valley & not live under the threat of a construction company who only have their profits in mind, not the disruption it would cause to those who live to the East of Ilminster, they will move on to their next project & not clear up their mess left behind.

Please consider the asset Shudrick Valley is to Ilminster, once the land is built on, it is gone for ever & would start further applications to be submitted to the East & Ilminster will no longer be the town it is today.

Thank you for your time.

