

## Representation Form

Please complete a separate **Part B Representation Form** (this part) for each representation that you would like to make. One **Part A Representation Form** must be enclosed with your **Part B Representation Form(s)**.

We have also published a separate **Guidance Note** to explain the terms used and to assist in making effective representations.

### Part B: Representation

Name and Organisation:	Charles Findlay.
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#### Q1. To which document does this representation relate?

- Regulation 19: Pre-Submission Draft of the Shropshire Local Plan
- Sustainability Appraisal of the Regulation 19: Pre-Submission Draft of the Shropshire Local Plan
- Habitats Regulations Assessment of the Regulation 19: Pre-Submission Draft of the Shropshire Local Plan
- (Please tick one box)

#### Q2. To which part of the document does this representation relate?

Paragraph:	<input type="text"/>	Policy:	16.15 to 16.25 <b>S13</b>	Site:	<input type="text"/>	Policies Map:	<input type="text"/>
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#### Q3. Do you consider the Regulation 19: Pre-Submission Draft of the Shropshire Local Plan is:

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|------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| A. Legally compliant                     | Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> | No: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| B. Sound                                 | Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> | No: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| C. Compliant with the Duty to Co-operate | Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> | No: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

(Please tick as appropriate).

#### Q4. Please give details of why you consider the Regulation 19: Pre-Submission Draft of the Shropshire Local Plan is not legally compliant or is unsound or fails to comply with the duty to co-operate. Please be as precise as possible.

If you wish to support the legal compliance or soundness of the Regulation 19: Pre-Submission Draft of the Shropshire Local Plan or its compliance with the duty to co-operate, please also use this box to set out your comments.

There is a common law duty to take the results of a consultation "conscientiously into account". I do not believe Shropshire Council have met this requirement considering they have not taken into account how Covid 19 restrictions have impacted people's ability to have their say and have not stopped this process due to Covid19.

The consultation has not taken into account the restrictions on public involvement because of Covid19 restrictions and it is therefore against government guidelines. One of the stated consultations means for people without internet access is through public libraries. Much Wenlock library is now closed, as are all libraries throughout Shropshire, resulting in those without internet access not being able to participate in the consultation process. The demographics of Shropshire on the 2011 census states that 24% of the population in the county is over 65 and are more likely to rely on libraries for internet access. As you can see, the consultation process has not been sound as these demographics have had no access to the resources they need to respond.

(Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)



**Q5. Please set out the modification(s) you consider necessary to make the Regulation 19: Pre-Submission Draft of the Shropshire Local Plan legally compliant and sound, in respect of any legal compliance or soundness matters you have identified at Q4 above.**

*Please note that non-compliance with the duty to co-operate is incapable of modification at examination. You will need to say why each modification will make the Regulation 19: Pre-Submission Draft of the Shropshire Local Plan 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.*

I ask the Independent inspector to review Shropshire Councils consultation process during Covid19 and the obvious impacts that has had on preventing people from replying.

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*(Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)*

**Please note:** In your representation you should provide succinctly all the evidence and supporting information necessary to support your representation and your suggested modification(s). You should not assume that you will have a further opportunity to make submissions.

**After this stage, further submissions may only be made if invited by the Inspector, based on the matters and issues he or she identifies for examination.**

**Q6. If your representation is seeking a modification to the Regulation 19: Pre-Submission Draft of the Shropshire Local Plan, do you consider it necessary to participate in examination hearing session(s)?**

*Please note that while this will provide an initial indication of your wish to participate in hearing session(s), you may be asked at a later point to confirm your request to participate.*

- No, I do not wish to participate in hearing session(s)  
 Yes, I wish to participate in hearing session(s)

*(Please tick one box)*

**Q7. If you wish to participate in the hearing session(s), please outline why you consider this to be necessary:**

*(Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)*

**Please note:** The Inspector will determine the most appropriate procedure to adopt to hear those who have indicated that they wish to participate in hearing session(s). You may be asked to confirm your wish to participate when the Inspector has identified the matters and issues for examination.

Signature:

Date: 25/02/24

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	Part B Reference: