

New Milton Neighbourhood Plan 2016-2036

Fact Check of Report - Response to Examiner

This is a joint response from New Forest District Council, New Forest National Park Authority and New Milton Town Council to the examiner's 'fact check' Report (sent through on 10th December 2019). It relates to any issues of fact that are incorrect, or points that we jointly suggest could benefit from factual clarifications.

| Paragraph of draft Examiner's report / factual inaccuracies | Comment |
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| Paragraph 2.1 | We suggest this is amended to read – “The National Park Authority adopted the New Forest National Park Local Plan (NFNPLP) on 29 August 2019 and the District Council has adopted the New Forest District Council Core Strategy (2009) and the New Forest District Council Local Plan Part 2 (2014)”. |
| Paragraph 2.3 (final bullet) | The document is available on the New Milton Neighbourhood Plan website (this is a separate standalone website and not part of the Town Council's website) ¹ |
| Paragraph 4.11 | “New Milton will be the location for all significant development” – we suggest that this requires a brief clarification. |
| Paragraph 4.33 | The need to mitigate the impacts of recreational pressures on the Natura 2000 sites in the area is a requirement of the 'development plan', but also of statute. Paragraph 4.33 could therefore be amended to state that the requirement for mitigation derives from the statutory development plan and primary legislation. |
| Policy NM3 – Land east of Caird Avenue (criterion c.iii) | There is no strategy entitled “New Forest Special Protection Area Mitigation Strategy” (the adopted SPD which relates to this issue is not entitled thus). We therefore suggest clarifying the Policy text as follows: iii. any measures that are required to satisfy the Habitat Regulations and the relevant adopted New Forest Special Protection Area Mitigation Strategies or any future relevant requirements; |
| Paragraph 4.48 | This should refer to the “ <u>....superseded National Park Core Strategy and Development Management Policies DPD (2010)...</u> ” National Park Core Strategy and Development Management Policies DPD (2010) ” |
| Appendix (Modifications) PM18 | The change in the glossary entry for SANG to ANRG is correct in relation to the title of ANRG, however ANRG has been developed in conjunction with Natural England to specifically mitigate the recreational impacts of development in the New Forest area, and is a different approach to that taken for the Thames Basin Heaths. We would suggest the following as a factual clarification: Replace the sub-heading of 'Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspace (SANG)' with: <u>Alternative Natural Recreational Greenspace (ANRG)</u> <u>Green space used as mitigation or avoidance to reduce recreational use of the New Forest Special Protection Area</u> |

¹ www.newmiltonplan.org.uk