Part B

Please use a separate form for each individual comment.

Q2 Name / Name of organisation (if you are responding on behalf of an organisation)

Q3 To which part of the Core Strategy does this comment relate?

Environment

Part of document eg Key Statement reference, 'Vision' section etc...

EN5

Paragraph No.

Q4 As a consequence do you consider the Core Strategy is:

   Yes       No

   i) Legally compliant  
   ii) Sound *

* The considerations in relation to the Core Strategy being sound are explained in the Guidance Notes

Q5 If you consider the Core Strategy is unsound, is this because it is not... (please tick the appropriate box)

          Justified
          Effective

          Consistent with national policy

          Positively prepared

Q6 Please give details of why you consider that the Core Strategy is not legally compliant or sound. Please be as precise as possible.

If you wish to support the legal compliance or soundness of the Core Strategy, please also use this box to set out your comments.

EN.5 Reference is made to the need to preserve historical assets and their setting. I query whether 5.5 is sufficiently 'positively prepared' in relation to 'their setting'. Previously particular patches of green land within Longridge (and I assume other towns and villages) have been protected by being given Essential Open Spaces (G6) status. While green belt land outside the settlements continues to be protected (for its inherent value and provision of habitat), green spaces within a settlement do not seem to have the same amount of protection given to them as to the landscape of historic buildings which they support and enhance.
Please set out what change(s) you consider necessary to make the Core Strategy legally compliant or sound, having regard to the test(s) you have identified at 5 above where this relates to soundness.

You will need to say why this change will make the Core Strategy 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.

In order to make the Core Strategy 'positively prepared' in relation to the issue I identified above; I suggest that the reference to 'setting' in ENB5 is expanded in 5.5, based on the essential opens spaces criteria with an additional sentence something like: 'Setting' includes sites that have significant amenity value either visually or through their recreational value; to preserve the characteristics of the historical landscape.

Please note: your comment should cover succinctly all the information, evidence, and supporting information necessary to support/justify the comment and the suggested change, as there will not normally be another opportunity to make further comments based on the original comment made at the publication stage.

After this stage, further submissions will only be at the request of the Inspector, based on the matters and issues he/she identifies for examination in the forthcoming Examination in Public. Please note also that the Inspector is not obliged to consider any previous comments that have been made in respect of the Core Strategy. You are urged, therefore, to re-submit on this form any previously submitted comments that, in your view, remain valid and that you wish the Inspector to consider.

Q8 If your representation is seeking change, do you consider it necessary to participate at the oral part of the examination?
   ☑ No, I do not wish to participate at the oral examination
   ☐ Yes, I do wish to participate at the oral examination

Q9 If you wish to participate at the oral part of the examination, please outline why you consider this to be necessary. (Please note that the Inspector will determine who participates.)
Q10 If you wish to be kept informed as the Core Strategy progresses through to adoption, please indicate which of the following stages you wish to be informed of by ticking the box(es) below.

- Submission of the Core Strategy to the Secretary of State for independent Examination
- The publication of the Inspector’s report following the Examination
- The formal adoption of the Core Strategy

Q11 If you have any other comments to make on the Core Strategy that have not been covered elsewhere, please use the box below.

Q12 Date of completion

04.06.2012

Thank you very much for taking the time to complete this comments form, your comments are very much appreciated. Please click the submit button below to send us your comments.