



**South Kesteven District Council Local Plan (2023-2043)
Regulation 18 Proposed Housing and Mixed-Use Site Allocations
Consultation Response Form
Thursday 3rd July until 11.59pm Thursday 28th August 2025**

This form has two parts:

Part A is for your personal details

Part B – Your representation(s). Please fill in a separate sheet for each representation you wish to make

Please fill in the response form using the format below. This will enable us to process your comments efficiently and effectively.

Respond by returning forms by:

Email: planningpolicy@southkesteven.gov.uk

Post: Planning Policy Team, South Kesteven District Council, Council Offices, The Picture House, St Catherine's road, Grantham, NG31 6TT.

The deadline for responses is 11.59pm on Thursday 28th August 2025.

All representations will be made publicly available and must be received by 11.59pm on Thursday 28th August 2025, otherwise your comments may not be taken into consideration.

The consultation documents, along with details of the consultation can be viewed on the South Kesteven District Council website - www.southkesteven.gov.uk/localplanreview

Reference hardcopies are available to view at the following addresses:

- Customer Service Centre (located next to the Savoy Cinema), The Picture House, St Catherine's Road, Grantham, NG31 6TT [Monday – Friday: 9am – 3pm]
- South Kesteven Community Point & Library, 3 Abbey Road, Bourne, PE10 9EF [Monday: 9am-5pm, Wednesday: 9am-6pm, Friday: 9am-1pm, Saturday: 9am-1pm]
- At libraries in Grantham, Stamford, Market Deeping, and Bourne during normal opening hours – www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/findalibrary

For more about the Local Plan visit the below webpage or use the QR code.

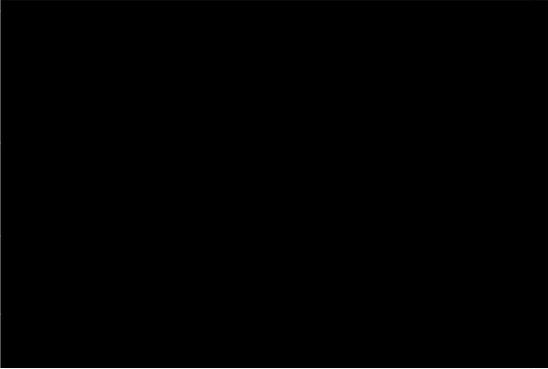
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Should you have any queries then please contact the Planning Policy Team by emailing planningpolicy@southkesteven.gov.uk or calling 01476 406080.





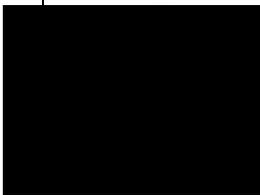
Part A: Personal Details

	1. Personal Details	2. Agents Details (if applicable)
Title	Mr	Mr
First Name	Michael	Michael
Last Name	Dickinson	Braithwaite
Organisation		Robert Doughty Consultancy Limited
Address		
Postcode		
Telephone		
Email Address		

Please note that representations must be attributable to named individuals or organisations. "In confidence" representations will not be accepted. All representations will be available for public inspection and cannot be treated as confidential. We will however redact signatures, home/ email addresses, and telephone contact details from any information that is published.

3. If you are not already on our consultation database and you respond your details will automatically be added to the database	
If you do not wish to be added or would like your details to be removed, then please select the following box <i>Please note: Your contact data will be used to provide information and updates in respect of the Local Plan and any future reviews. Please contact us if you wish to change your communication method and the type of information you receive.</i>	

4. Please Sign and date this form

Signature (please type for an electronic response)	Date
	5/08/2025



Please fill in a separate form for each site that you wish to comment on

Part B: Your response

Fields marked with an * must be completed

5. Site Reference*:	SKPR - 59	
6. Please indicate if you support, object or wish to provide comments only: *	Support	
	Object	x
	Comment	
7. Please provide your comments below:		
<p>We object to the failure to allocate the above site for development for residential development.</p> <p>The current consultation has found it necessary to allocate a new site in Bourne to meet the increased housing targets. A significant allocation is proposed at Bourne (SKPR-7), despite the site assessment process finding that the proposed allocation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cannot be accessed (the only access supported by the Highway Authority lies to the south of the site, beyond the redline); • Is remote from the town centre and will promote use of the motor car over and above other more sustainable forms of travel) • Will have an unacceptable impact on the Strategic Road Network. <p>We also note the Site Assessment for SKPR-7 is missing the actual assessment. It is unclear how the decision to allocate one site over any others is possible without having a detailed assessment of the preferred options.</p> <p>SKPR-59 is rejected, despite not suffering from the disadvantages identified for SKPR7 (SKPR-59 has several potential access points as demonstrated by the report submitted to support the previous consultation exercise): is more accessible to the town centre (according to the Highway Authority) and would have a negligible impact on the Strategic Road Network according to Roads England). The reason given for not allocating SKPR-59 is a potential, unquantified, impact on Bourne Woods, a designated ecological site. No weight appears to be given to the Preliminary Ecological Appraisal submitted as part of earlier stages of the Local Plan process, which effectively addresses any concerns on the ecological impact on the woods.</p> <p>When deciding which sites to include in the current consultation, Members did not have any information to hand to help them understand why they were being asked to approve any particular sites as allocations: nor were Members made aware of any alternative sites that could be considered as allocations. The site assessment exercise was only made available at the start of the consultation and was not reported to committee.</p> <p>The failure to include analysis of allocation SKPR-7 in the site assessment form renders the consultation exercise unsound, as the public do not have access to the information</p>		



apparently used by the Council to justify their chosen approach.

8. Your response on supporting documents	Sustainability Appraisal	X
	Habitat Regulation Assessment	
9. Please provide your comments below:		
The SA only assess the impact of sites included as draft allocations. It fails to assess reasonable alternatives . The process fails to allow any assessment of the relative merits of other candidate sites, either individually or on the basis of a wider scale strategy. The assessment even fails to test the decision to rely on larger allocations, a strategy that is contrary to the national priority to identify smaller sites to support local SME developers and house builders.		

(continue on a separate sheet/expand box if necessary)

Thank you for responding to this consultation