# Lound Neighbourhood Plan:

Site Assessments - Statutory Consultee Responses - 2<sup>nd</sup> Round

Opened: Friday 10<sup>th</sup> August

Closed: Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September (plus 2-week grace period)

# **Summary of responses**

Consultee	Response	Nature
Environment Agency	Received	No specific concerns, accompanied by generic guidance
Natural England	Received	No specific concerns, accompanied by generic guidance
Internal Drainage Board	No response	N/A
Historic England	Received	Generic guidance
Anglian Water	Acknowledgement received, but no subsequent response	N/A
Severn Trent Water	Acknowledgement received, but no subsequent response	N/A
Western Power	Received	Detailed assessment of each site
Cadent Gas	No response (but see below)	N/A
Wood (National Grid – Electricity and Gas)	Received	No concerns

All responses received are detailed in full over the following pages, minus personal details, in accordance with GDPR.

Will Wilson

28-09-18

# **Environment Agency**

#### Dear Will

Thank you for consulting the Environment Agency on your Draft Neighbourhood Plan. We are a statutory consultee in the planning process providing advice to Local Authorities and developers on pre-application enquiries, planning applications, appeals and strategic plans.

Together with Natural England, English Heritage and Forestry Commission we have published joint advice on neighbourhood planning which sets out sources of environmental information and ideas on incorporating the environment into plans. This is available at:

http://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/20140328084622/http://cdn.environmentagency.gov.uk/LIT 6524 7da381.pdf

We aim to reduce flood risk, while protecting and enhancing the water environment. We have had to focus our detailed engagement to those areas where the environmental risks are greatest.

#### Flood Risk

## Flood Zone 1:

We are pleased to see that the proposed allocations have been directed to the areas at the lowest probability of flooding and that they are all located within Flood Zone 1.

#### Groundwater

## **Primary Aquifer:**

Lound is located on a principle aquifer and areas are located within source protection zone class 3. This may influence certain aspects of proposed developments such as foul drainage connection.

If you have any further questions please don't hesitate to contact me.

# **Natural England**

Dear Will

# Lound Neighbourhood Plan: Potential Site Allocations (Bassetlaw).

Thank you for your consultation on the above dated 13/08/2018.

Natural England is a non-departmental public body. Our statutory purpose is to ensure that the natural environment is conserved, enhanced, and managed for the benefit of present and future generations, thereby contributing to sustainable development.

Natural England is a statutory consultee in neighbourhood planning and must be consulted on draft neighbourhood development plans by the Parish/Town Councils or Neighbourhood Forums where they consider our interests would be affected by the proposals made.

# Natural England does not have any specific comments on the potential site allocations for this neighbourhood plan.

## **Allocations**

We note that all of the site allocations are within Impact Risk Zones (IRZ's) for discharge of ground or surface water. This means that we would expect to be consulted on any planning applications that plan to discharge to ground or to surface water. For further information on Natural England's IRZ's see this document.

# **Best and Most Versatile Agricultural Land**

We have not checked the agricultural land classification of the proposed allocations, but we advise you ensure that any allocations on best and most versatile land are justified in line with para 171 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

Additionally, we refer you to the attached annex which covers the issues and opportunities that should be considered when preparing a Neighbourhood Plan.

# **Historic England**

Dear Mr Wilson

#### LOUND NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - PROSPECTIVE HOUSING LAND ALLOCATIONS CONSULTATION

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the above sites as part of the Neighbourhood Plan process.

Historic England is the Government's statutory adviser on all matters relating to the historic environment in England. We are a non-departmental public body established under the National Heritage Act 1983 and sponsored by the Department for Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS). We champion and protect England's historic places, providing expert advice to local planning authorities, developers, owners and communities to help ensure our historic environment is properly understood, enjoyed and cared for.

In terms of this early consultation on potential NP site allocations, we would like to draw your attention to the need to consider the historic environment at this stage of the plan making process. Heritage assets and their settings should be included within the assessment of sites which are submitted for consideration as part of the Plan process and other planning policy work.

Historic England has a produced a number of good practice advice notes on the historic environment, in particular the Good Practice Advice Note on the Historic Environment and Local Plans (<a href="http://historicengland.org.uk/images-books/publications/gpa1-historic-environment-local-plans/">historic-environment-local-plans/</a>), which provides supporting information on good practice in plan-making, and the Historic Environment/.

In addition the Historic Environment Advice Note Site Allocations in Local Plans (<a href="https://historicengland.org.uk/images-books/publications/historic-environment-and-site-allocations-in-local-plans/">historicenvironment-and-site-allocations-in-local-plans/</a>) may be useful in the production of your Plan since it sets out a site assessment methodology in respect of historic environment.

It is also recommended that the Plan team obtain input from the Local Authority Conservation and Archaeological advisers in respect of the proposed sites.

If you have any queries about this matter or would like to discuss anything further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

# **Western Power**

Hi Will,

These aren't significant numbers so before I even done any analysis I wouldn't have anticipated any issues here.

I have done analysis and all the transformers seem to have plenty of spare capacity so there is no significant reinforcement required there. I've only based my analysis on standard gas heated homes.

I've just made slight notes on each side but I really can't see a problem, from our perspective, on any of the sites really.

**NP02:** A High Voltage overhead line runs right next to this site. It looks like it does run the other side of the boundary but it would restrict building near the boundary otherwise it would have to be diverted elsewhere or put underground which would add to costs.

**NP05:** No issues with this site. New mains cable would be brought down. Would be pretty standard costs for a site.

**NP06:** No issues with this site. New mains cable would be brought down. Would be pretty standard costs for a site.

**NP12:** You've listed one for this site so I was unsure if maybe this would be a commercial plot? It is a large site but again there shouldn't be any issues and it would be pretty standard cost wise.

**NP13:** Site is close to the substation which is good. Mains cable is across the road which isn't an issue. It looks like it may be a private road according to our system but that could be wrong. If it is we would have to obtain permissions to lay our cables there.

**NP16:** This is the only one where the network doesn't seem to be that great. There is a low voltage overhead line next to this site that could possibly want diverting for aesthetics. Depending on the properties space and water heating etc. there could be the need to reinforce some of the network.

**NP18:** No issues with this site. New mains cable would be brought down. Would be pretty standard costs for a site.

**NP19:** No issues with this site. New mains cable would be brought down. Would be pretty standard costs for a site.

**NP21:** There is an underground cable on this site that feeds the customer at Hill Top. This would need to be diverted but I can't see any great issue with this. Mains cable already in place so connections would be straight forward.

Hope this is alright. As I said there doesn't seem like any significant works and all the sites seem pretty feasible. NPO2 and NP16 would be the two I would say could potentially be costly.

If there's any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

# **National Grid**

Dear Sir / Madam

# Lound Neighbourhood Plan - Prospective Housing Land Allocations

#### SUBMISSION ON BEHALF OF NATIONAL GRID

National Grid has appointed Wood to review and respond to development plan consultations on its behalf. We are instructed by our client to submit the following representation with regards to the above Neighbourhood Plan consultation.

#### **About National Grid**

National Grid owns and operates the high voltage electricity transmission system in England and Wales and operate the Scottish high voltage transmission system. National Grid also owns and operates the gas transmission system. In the UK, gas leaves the transmission system and enters the distribution networks at high pressure. It is then transported through a number of reducing pressure tiers until it is finally delivered to our customers. National Grid own four of the UK's gas distribution networks and transport gas to 11 million homes, schools and businesses through 81,000 miles of gas pipelines within North West, East of England, West Midlands and North London.

To help ensure the continued safe operation of existing sites and equipment and to facilitate future infrastructure investment, National Grid wishes to be involved in the preparation, alteration and review of plans and strategies which may affect our assets.

## **Specific Comments**

An assessment has been carried out with respect to National Grid's electricity and gas transmission apparatus which includes high voltage electricity assets and high pressure gas pipelines, and also National Grid Gas Distribution's Intermediate and High Pressure apparatus.

National Grid has identified that it has no record of such apparatus within the Neighbourhood Plan area.

## Key resources / contacts

National Grid has provided information in relation to electricity and transmission assets via the following internet link:

http://www2.nationalgrid.com/uk/services/land-and-development/planning-authority/shape-files/

# **Electricity distribution**

The electricity distribution operator in Bassetlaw District Council is Western Power Distribution. Information regarding the transmission and distribution network can be found at: www.energynetworks.org.uk

Please remember to consult National Grid on any Neighbourhood Plan Documents or site-specific proposals that could affect our infrastructure. We would be grateful if you could add our details shown below to your consultation database: