

## Bath and North East Somerset Council Draft Core Strategy Representations by Plan Reference: Appendices

### Plan Reference: Appendix 1: Replaced Local Plan Policies

**Reference:** 256\11

**Respondent:** Councillor Andrew Furse

**Representation** •App 1; Clarifying what are policy items, whether these are new policies and ensuring accuracy in  
**(soundness):** detailing the superceding of existing policies.  
•App 1 and 2; Clarifying the relationship with other plans such as development plans.

Councillor Andrew Furse  
Liberal Democrat,

**Change sought to  
make sound:**

**Representation (legal compliance):**

**Change sought to make legally compliant:**

### Plan Reference: Appendix 2: Saved Local Plan Policies

**Reference:** 188\5

**Respondent:** Freshford Parish Council

**Representation** We wish to register particular, priority, support, with comment where necessary for:  
**(soundness):** 5. Appendix 2. Positive comment: appendix should include Local Plan NE1 - Landscape and NE2- AONB.

**Change sought to  
make sound:**

**Representation (legal compliance):**

**Change sought to make legally compliant:**

**Reference:** 246\12

**Respondent:** Combe Hay Parish Council

**Representation** Appendix 2 of the Core Strategy fails to include Saved Local Plan Policies NE.1 (Landscape Character)  
**(soundness):** and NE.2 (Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty).

**Change sought to** Include Saved Local Plan Policies NE.1 and NE.2 in Appendix 2  
**make sound:**

**Representation (legal compliance):**

**Change sought to make legally compliant:**

**Reference:** 264\11

**Respondent:** Englishcombe Parish Council

**Representation** Fails to carry forward Policies NE1 & NE2 from the saved Local Plan.  
**(soundness):**

**Change sought to** Carry forward Policies NE1 & NE2 from the saved Local Plan.  
**make sound:**

**Representation (legal compliance):** Fails to carry forward Policies NE1 & NE2 from the saved Local Plan.

**Change sought to make legally compliant:**

**Reference:** 278\3

**Respondent:** Cotswolds Conservation Board

**Representation** The Cotswolds Conservation Board notes that Local Plan “saved” policies NE1 “Landscape Character”  
**(soundness):** and NE2 “Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty” are omitted from the list of “saved” policies in  
.Appendix 2 of the Draft Core Strategy.

The Board assumes this omission is in error, since in Table 3 “Policy framework and mechanisms for delivering the strategic objectives” on page 24

reference is made to Local Plan saved policies for:

“• Implementation, Design, Community Facilities & Services, Sport & Recreation, Green Belt, Natural Environment, Built and Historic Environment” as “Policy framework and mechanisms to support delivery of” “Strategic Objective 2 “Protect and enhance the District’s natural, built and cultural heritage and provide green infrastructure.”

Policies NE1 and NE2 are included in the list of saved Local Plan policies in the GOSW document on the Council’s website.

**Change sought to** Include Local Plan Policies NE1 and NE2 in Appendix 2  
**make sound:**

**Representation (legal compliance):**

**Change sought to make legally compliant:**

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**Reference:** 291\14

**Respondent:** Stubbs Rich LLP

**Representation** Appendix 2. The extent of the saved local plan policies listed in the appendix makes it clear that  
**(soundness):** consultation on saving them requires a separate consultation. Respondents cannot be expected to  
source each one of these and review it. Slipping saved policies into this consultation is unsound.

**Change sought to**  
**make sound:**

**Representation (legal compliance):**

**Change sought to make legally compliant:**

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**Reference:** 315\1

**Respondent:** Charlcombe Parish Council

**Representation** It is reassuring to note that most of the key policies of the current Local Plan have been retained.  
**(soundness):** However there are two very important exceptions.

Policies NE.1 and NE.2 do not appear to be reflected in the Draft Core Strategy. As a rural parish situated entirely within the Cotswold AONB, Charlcombe Parish Council considers these two policies to be key to preserving the landscape character of the local countryside and conserving the natural beauty of AONBs. Indeed, failure to comply with Policy NE.2 has been cited by the Local Planning Authority in refusing a number of recent applications in Charlcombe Parish. Bath’s surrounding countryside plays a key role in providing the setting for the world heritage city and it is essential that adequate measures remain in place to protect it against inappropriate development.

**Change sought to** We would request that Appendix 2 of the Draft Core Strategy is amended to retain Policies NE.1 and  
**make sound:** NE.2 of the Local Plan.

**Representation (legal compliance):**

**Change sought to make legally compliant:**