Part B – Please use a separate sheet for each representation

Name or Organisation: Whitley Residents & Neighbourhood Watch Association Focus Group

The Focus Group is a subset of Whitley Residents & Neighbourhood Watch Association (WRNWA) and is tasked with representing the Association.

The members of the Focus Group are:

The members of the Pocus Group are.								
Keith Whitehead Chair WRNWA Focus Group								
3. To which part of the Local Plan Review does this representation relate?								
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Paragraph		Policy	DS4					

4. Do you consider the Local Pl	an Revie	ew is:		
4.(1) Legally compliant	Yes		No	
4.(2) Sound	Yes		No	Х
4 (3) Complies with the Duty to co-operate	Yes		No [

Please tick as appropriate.

5. Please give details of why you consider the Local Plan Review is not legally compliant or is unsound or fails to comply with the Duty to Co-operate. Please be as precise as possible. If you wish to support the legal compliance or soundness of the Local Plan Review or its compliance with the duty to co-operate, please also use this box to set out your comments.

Strategic Policy DS4 (Part A) – General Masterplan Principles ix Proposals should respond to the local context and local design characteristics (in accordance with Policies GE3, HE2 and DE1) ... If a proposal is a strategic land allocation for development (as stated in Policy GE2), it is unlikely that Strategic Policy DS4 (Part A) ix will be able to accord with Policy GE3 (1), that might protect the local context and local design characteristics, as sites mentioned in Policy GE3 (1) could also be considered green space, particularly informal green space, as categorised in the adopted Coventry City Council Green Space Strategy (2019-2024)

Strategic Policy DS4 (Part B) Whitley Specific Masterplan Principles, **vii** - An appropriate buffer should be retained between the new commercial activity and the existing homes in and around Sedgemoor Road, but does not specify the size or extent of the buffer, which could be open to interpretation, and therefore lacks clarity.

Strategic Policy DS4 (Part B) Whitley Specific Masterplan Principles **ix** – *Make positive* provisions to relocate the existing sports fields (as appropriate) in accordance with Policy *GE2*.

Policy GE2 Green Space (3) has allocated two sites to support the provision of new sports pitches for the proposed allocations at Policy H2:19 and Policy JE2:4. This would make provision for King Henry VIII sports fields, but does not appear to make provision for Baginton Playing Fields.

Yet Baginton Playing Fields is an important recreational amenity for the local community and valued publicly accessible green space that is within walking distance of local residents, supporting active living. Baginton Playing Fields also provides important connectivity between Whitley Grove Woods and Baginton Fields Local Nature Reserve.

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

6. Please set out the modification(s) you consider necessary to make the Local Plan Review legally compliant and sound, in respect of any legal compliance or soundness matters you have identified at 5 above. (Please note that non-compliance with the Duty to Co-operate is incapable of modification at examination). You will need to say why each modification will make the Local Plan Review 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.

Strategic Policy DS4 (Part A) – General Masterplan Principles **ix** *Proposals should respond* to the local context and local design characteristics (in accordance with Policies **GE3**, HE2 and DE1) ...

Policy GE3 1. Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI's), Local Nature Reserves (LNRs), Ancient Woodlands, Local Wildlife and Geological Sites will be protected and enhanced. This statement lack clarity and certainty on how such sites will be protected from development, if such sites are included in a strategic land allocation for development as stated in Policy GE2.

Therefore there is uncertainty on how proposals would be able to respond to the local context and local design characteristic as stated in Strategic Policy DS4 (Part A) ix.

Strategic Policy DS4 (Part B) Whitley Specific Masterplan Principles, **vii** - An appropriate buffer should be retained between the new commercial activity and the existing homes in and around Sedgemoor Road

Details of the size of the buffer should be given.

Strategic Policy DS4 (Part B) Whitley Specific Masterplan Principles **ix** – *Make positive* provisions to relocate the existing sports fields (as appropriate) in accordance with Policy *GE2*.

Specify what provision is to be made for Baginton Fields Playing Fields.

Please note: In your representation you should provide succinctly all the evidence and supporting information necessary to support your representation and your suggested modification(s). You should not assume that you will have a further opportunity to make submissions.

After this stage, further submissions may only be made if invited by the Inspector, based on the matters and issues they identify for examination.

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				of your wish to participate to confirm your request to			
8. To which բ relate?	part of the Sustai	nability Appraisal	(SA) repor	t does this representation			
Paragraph							
Please add any further comments relating to the SA report in the box below.							
9. If you wish to participate in the hearing session(s), please outline why you consider this to be necessary:							

Please note the Inspector will determine the most appropriate procedure to adopt to hear those who have indicated that they wish to participate in hearing session(s). You may be asked to confirm your wish to participate when the Inspector has identified the matters and issues for examination.