

# Coventry Local Plan Review

## Regulation 19

### Proposed Submission (Publication) Stage Representation Form

(guidance note below)

Ref:

(For official use only)

Name of the Plan  
to which this  
representation  
relates:

**Coventry Local Plan Review – Regulation 19 Proposed  
Submission (Publication)**

**Please return to Coventry City Council in writing or electronically by 23:59 03 March 2025** email to [planningpolicy@coventry.gov.uk](mailto:planningpolicy@coventry.gov.uk), via our consultation portal <https://coventrycitycouncil.inconsult.uk/system/home> or by post to Planning Policy Team, PO Box 7097, Coventry, CV6 9SL

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Please also note that that a copy of your representation(s) will be made available to the Planning Inspectorate and to the person appointed by the Secretary of State to conduct the examination (i.e. the Inspector) and the Programme Officer. and that your representation(s) will be 'made available' in line with the Regulations (The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 – Regulations 20, 22 and 35). This includes publication on Coventry City Councils website (personal details will be redacted in line with the Privacy Notice).

This form has two parts:

**Part A** – Personal Details: need only be completed once.

**Part B** – Your representation(s).

**Please fill in a separate sheet for each representation you wish to make.**

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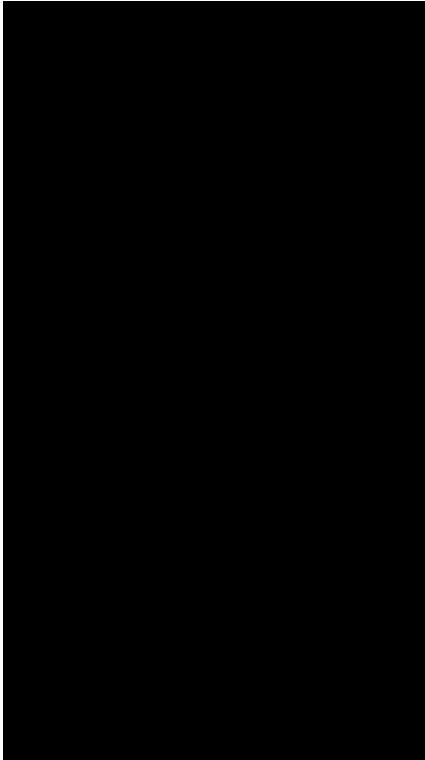
## Part A

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### 1. Personal Details\*

### 2. Agent's Details (if applicable)

*\*If an agent is appointed, please complete only the Title, Name and Organisation (if applicable) boxes below but complete the full contact details of the agent in 2.*

Title	<input type="text" value="MR"/>	<input type="text"/>
First Name	<input type="text" value="TREVOR"/>	<input type="text"/>
Last Name	<input type="text" value="CORNFOOT"/>	<input type="text"/>
Job Title	<input type="text" value="CHAIRMAN"/>	<input type="text"/>
(where relevant)		
Organisation	<input type="text" value="COVENTRY SOCIETY"/>	<input type="text"/>
(where relevant)		
Address Line 1		<input type="text"/>
Line 2		<input type="text"/>
Line 3		<input type="text"/>
Line 4		<input type="text"/>
Post Code		<input type="text"/>
Telephone Number		<input type="text"/>
E-mail Address		<input type="text"/>

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**Part B – Please use a separate sheet for each representation**

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Name or Organisation:

3. To which part of the Local Plan Review does this representation relate?

Paragraph  Policy

4. Do you consider the Local Plan Review is:

(1) Legally compliant	Yes	<input type="text" value="X"/>	No	<input type="text"/>
(2) Sound	Yes	<input type="text"/>	No	<input type="text" value="X"/>
(3) Complies with the Duty to co-operate	Yes	<input type="text" value="X"/>	No	<input type="text"/>

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.

The Coventry Society agrees with and supports policy HE3 and the wording in paragraphs 11.9-11.11. The policy is a continuation of that in the current Coventry Local Plan, approved in 2017. However the context of policy HE3 has changed, affecting the geography of the Charterhouse Heritage Park. The map at Appendix 5 outlining the boundary of the Heritage Park is now outdated and should be replaced.

In recent months the management of the Heritage Park has passed to the John Muir Trust, working in partnership with the City Council, Historic Coventry Trust and Warwickshire Wildlife, to “develop plans to regenerate this unique wildplace in the heart of Coventry” (JMT press release 1.11.24). The Trust has previously stated that “although unmanaged for decades and despite some antisocial behaviour issues and inaccessible areas, the Charterhouse Heritage Park has considerable biodiversity value, lots of engagement opportunities and a huge potential for ecological enhancement, including areas of wetland, woodland and grassland” (JMT press release 28.6.24).

In passing the management of the Heritage Park from the City Council and the Historic Coventry Trust to the John Muir Trust the geographic area of the Heritage Park has been expanded, considerably. It no longer occupies a notional ‘couple

of fields' between the Charterhouse and London Road (as shown in the map in Appendix 5) but occupies a much larger area that includes the previous area but now runs further south, in the valley of the River Sherbourne, to pass under the West Coast mainline railway, past the incinerator and recycling plant to the London Road Gyratory roundabout at grid reference SP347772. As a result of this expansion of the geographic area of the Heritage Park the map at Appendix 5 now fails to represent the operative boundaries of the Heritage Park.

Attached is a map showing the geographic extent of the Heritage Park now being managed by the John Muir Trust.

(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.

The map at Appendix 5 should be replaced by that attached - or a map similar to it – that correctly identifies the current boundaries of the Charterhouse Heritage Park. This will reflect the current and future realities of the management responsibilities of the John Muir Trust. There is no need to amend the text of paragraphs 11.9-11.11 or policy HE3.

The need for an accurate, current map of the boundaries of the Heritage Park should be obvious – it more properly identifies the areas to which policy HE3 applies thus helping to protect the defined Heritage Park area from inappropriate development proposed by developers, or indeed, the City Council. The policy and correct map thus sets the context for the Management Plan for the Heritage Park to be developed and implemented by the John Muir Trust, City Council, Historic Coventry Trust and

Warwickshire Wildlife. Incorrect boundaries of the Heritage Park could put their investments at risk.

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

**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.**

7. To which part of the Sustainability Appraisal (SA) report does this representation relate?

Paragraph

none

Please add any further comments relating to the SA report in the box below

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

8. If your representation is seeking a modification to the plan, do you consider it necessary to participate in examination hearing session(s)?

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see  
below

**No**, I do not wish to  
participate in  
hearing session(s)

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**Yes**, I wish to participate  
in hearing session(s)

**Please note** that while this will provide an initial indication of your wish to participate in hearing session(s), you may be asked at a later point to confirm your request to participate.

9. If you wish to participate in the hearing session(s), please outline why you consider this to be necessary:

We see our proposal as a technical change and hope that the City Council will accept it as such, thus not requiring our attendance at a hearing.  
If the Council, however, does not regard this as a technical change we may wish to reconsider the issue of our participation.

(Continue on a separate sheet /expand box if 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.