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Dear Mr Ward and Ms Mulloy,

New Forest National Park Local Plan Examination

Following the conclusion of the final Examination hearing session on 21 March 2019, the National Park Authority is now writing to formally request you consider the attached schedule of proposed modifications. This request is made in accordance with Section 20 (7C) of the *Planning & Compulsory Purchase Act 2004*.

For ease of reference the Authority has prepared consolidated schedules of proposed Main and Minor Modifications. The modifications are set out in Local Plan order, with the paragraph and policy references relating to the Submission draft Local Plan (January 2018). The proposed modifications are an amalgamation of the following:

- The proposed modifications submitted by the Authority in July 2018 following correspondence with you.
- The proposed modifications submitted by the Authority following the main body of Examination hearing sessions in November 2018.
- The proposed modifications arising from the Ashurst Hospital Examination hearing session on 21 March 2019.

We have separated out what we consider to be proposed 'Main Modifications' - changes that in our opinion materially affect the policies (Annex 1); and 'Minor Modifications' which are additional modifications to deal with more minor matters (Annex 2). In doing so we fully acknowledge your right to amend or add to the schedule of proposed modifications. We also recognise that the agreed schedule of Main Modifications will be required to go through a final period of public consultation and the necessary assessments / appraisals.

We look forward to hearing back from you on this.

Yours sincerely

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Annex 1: Schedule of Proposed Main Modifications (Post-Examination hearing sessions) – 25 March 2019

This schedule sets out the ***Proposed Main Modifications***, which are being recommended by the Authority under Section 20 (7C) of the Planning & Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 to the Inspectors. Where new text is proposed it is shown in bold and where text is proposed for removal it has been struck through as set out below.

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Chapter 1: Introduction

No main modifications proposed.

Chapter 2: Profile of the New Forest National Park

No main modifications proposed.

Chapter 3: Vision and Objectives

No main modifications proposed.

Chapter 4: Strategic Policies and Development Principles

Reference	Policy / Paragraph	Proposed Main Change	Reason for Proposed Modification (including representation no. if applicable)
MAIN-01	Policy SP3	<p>Amend policy SP3 to state: “<i>Consideration of such applications should include an assessment of:</i></p> <p>a) <i>The need for the development, including in terms of any national considerations; and the impact of permitting it, or refusing it, upon the local economy</i></p> <p>b) <i>The impact on the local economy of permitting or refusing it;</i></p> <p>c) <i>The cost of, and</i> <i>The scope for, developing outside the New Forest National Park, or meeting the need for it in some other way...</i></p>	For clarification in response to representations received at Regulation 19 stage from ABP (162/4/SP3) and to ensure consistency with national policy in paragraph 116 of the NPPF (2012).

Chapter 5: Protecting and Enhancing the Natural Environment

Reference	Policy / Paragraph	Proposed Main Change	Reason for Proposed Modification (including representation no. if applicable)
MAIN-02	Policy SP6	<p>Amend Policy SP6 a) to state: “<i>It has been demonstrated that suitable measures for mitigating or compensating adverse effects will be provided and maintained in order to achieve a net gain in biodiversity value where possible, and no net loss; and</i></p> <p>Add a new paragraph before the last paragraph: “<i>In cases where it is not possible to fully avoid or mitigate for the loss of biodiversity interests resulting from a development, appropriate compensation will be secured for any residual losses via on or off site compensation measures. The latter may include the provision of compensatory habitats elsewhere</i>”.</p>	To clarify the approach to compensation and net gain in biodiversity in response to representations received at Regulation 19 stage from Natural England and RSPB (164/5/SP6, 147/07/SP6).

MAIN-03	Policy SP6	<p>Amend Policy SP6 to state: <i>“In addition, opportunities to enhance ecological or geological assets, and the water environment should be maximised, particularly in line with the Authority’s ‘Action for Biodiversity’”</i> local Biodiversity Action Plan priorities.</p> <p>Create new paragraph at end of Policy SP6 and amend to state: <i>“Applicants will be required to demonstrate the impacts of their proposal on biodiversity, and for certain types of development¹³ by submission of an preliminary Ecological Appraisal, which should outline the mitigation and enhancement measures needed to achieve a net gain in biodiversity (and any subsequent survey work it recommends).”</i></p> <p>Add new footnote x: Nature in the New Forest: Action for biodiversity, National Park Authority</p>	To implement Natural England’s recommendations and clarify the biodiversity action plan in response to the representations received at Regulation 19 stage from Natural England and the Friends of the New Forest (164/5/SP6, 109/08/SP6).
MAIN-04	Policy DP8	Amend Policy DP8 to state: <i>“In addition, all new residential development within the Southern Water company supply area of the National Park should be designed to achieve a required level of 110 litres maximum daily allowable usage per person, in line with the Government’s Housing Optional Technical Standard for water efficiency. This standard will be encouraged in new homes elsewhere across the National Park area.”</i>	To implement Natural England’s advice contained in their Regulation 19 representation (164/7/DP8, 164/13/HRA).
MAIN-05	DP10 (additional wording and re-order)	<p>Amend Policy DP10 to state:</p> <p><i>“Where there is an identified need, development should either provide for the enhancement of existing open space and amenity areas, or provide on-site open space to the minimum provision standard of 3.5 hectares of public open space per 1,000 population.</i></p> <p><i>Proposals that result in the loss of existing open space, sports and recreational buildings and land, including playing fields, will not be permitted unless:</i></p>	This proposed change arises from the discussions on Matter 5 of the Examination hearing sessions and the need to ensure consistency with national policy in paragraph 74 of the NPPF (2012).

		<p>a) <i>an assessment has been undertaken which has clearly shown the open space, buildings or land to be surplus to requirements; or</i></p> <p>b) <i>the loss resulting from the proposed development would be replaced by equivalent or better provision in terms of quantity and quality in a suitable location; or</i></p> <p>c) <i>the development is for alternative sports and recreational provision, the benefits of which clearly outweigh the loss of the current or former use.”</i></p>	
MAIN-06	SP14 (first sentence)	<p>Amend the opening sentence of Policy SP14 to state:</p> <p><i>“Development proposals for, or incorporating, renewable energy generation, other than wind energy, will be permitted where they...”</i></p>	<p>This proposed change arises from the discussions on Matter 5 of the Examination hearing sessions and the need to have regard to national policy (including the Written Ministerial Statement) on wind energy.</p>

Chapter 6: Protecting and Enhancing the Historic & Built Environment

Reference	Policy / Paragraph	Proposed Main Change	Reason for Proposed Modification (including representation no. if applicable)
MAIN-07	SP16	<p>Amend Policy SP16 to:</p> <p><i>“Proposals should protect, maintain or enhance nationally, regionally and locally important sites and features of the historic and built environment, including local vernacular buildings, archaeological sites and designed and historic landscapes, and, where appropriate, help secure a sustainable future for those heritage assets at risk.</i></p> <p>a) <i>Proposals will be supported where they conserve and enhance the significance or special interest of designated or non-</i></p>	<p>This proposed modification arises following discussions at the Examination hearing session on Matter 6 and subsequent correspondence between the Authority and Historic England.</p> <p>Historic England are broadly content with this proposed modification, expect for the use of the ‘In particular’ at the end of criterion (a).</p>

		<p><i>designated heritage assets including their setting. In particular where they:</i></p> <p>(i) it does do not harm the special interest, character or appearance of a Conservation Area or its setting, including spaces, street patterns, views, vistas, uses and trees which contribute to that special interest, character or appearance, having regard to the relevant conservation area character appraisal and management plan; and</p> <p>(ii) it does do not harm the significance, or result in the loss, of a:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - scheduled monument (or a non-designated assets of archaeological interest of demonstrably equivalent significance); or - listed building, including through inappropriate siting, size, scale, height, alignment, materials, finishes (including colour and texture), design and form; or - registered historic park and garden, and particularly its layout, design, character, appearance and key views within, into and out; and, <p>(iii) it makes a positive contribution to, or better reveals, or enhance the appreciation of, the significance or special interest of a heritage asset or its setting; and</p> <p>(iv) any harm is outweighed by the public benefits of the proposals including securing its optimum viable use; and</p> <p>(iv) <i>helps secure the long term conservation of a heritage asset.</i></p> <p>b) Proposals will be resisted where they would harm the significance or special interest of a heritage asset unless any harm is outweighed by the public benefits of the proposal, proportionate to the degree of harm and significance of the asset, including securing its optimum viable use.</p>	
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Chapter 7: Vibrant Communities

Reference	Policy / Paragraph	Proposed Main Change	Reason for Proposed Modification (including representation no. if applicable)
MAIN-08	SP22	Amend the wording in the first sentence of policy SP22 to state: “ <i>Land at Whartons Lane, Ashurst is allocated for the development of around 60 residential dwellings.</i> ”	In response to representations received at Regulation 19 stage (44/02/SP22/2) highlighting that detailed site masterplanning may result in a slight variation (up or down) in the total number of dwellings proposed.

MAIN-09	SP22	Add an additional criterion (g) to Policy SP22 to state: <i>“A site-specific flood risk assessment will be required and measures put in place to address any groundwater or surface water flooding issues identified.”</i>	In response to representations received at Regulation 19 stage (numerous) and the findings of the New Forest Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (2017).
MAIN-10	SP23	Amend criteria (e) of Policy SP23 to state: <i>“Redevelopment proposals for the site should be accompanied by a Transport Assessment, given the proximity of the site to the designated Lyndhurst Air Quality Management Area. Adequate parking provision must be made on-site;”</i>	In response to representations received at Regulation 19 stage from Hampshire County Council (151/08/SP23), the highway authority for this part of the National Park.
MAIN-11	SP24	Amend the wording in the first sentence of policy SP24 to state: <i>“Land to the south of Church Lane, Sway is allocated for the development of around 40 residential dwellings.”</i>	In response to representations received at Regulation 19 stage (150/01/SP24) highlighting that detailed site masterplanning may result in a slight variation (up or down) in the total number of dwellings proposed.
MAIN-12	SP25	Amend criteria (c) of Policy SP25 to state: <i>“Proposals must be implemented as an integral and contiguous part of the redevelopment of the whole Power Station site pursuant to an approved comprehensive redevelopment masterplan and an integrated transport strategy for the entire Fawley Power Station site.”</i>	Amendment made in response to representations received from Hampshire County Council (151/10/SP25) at Regulation 19 stage and other representations highlighting concerns regarding infrastructure improvements.
MAIN-13	SP25	Amend criteria (d) of Policy SP25 to state: <i>“Any loss of the designated SINC habitat must be kept to an essential minimum and compensated through the enhancement of the biodiversity value of the remaining habitat and/or the compensatory provision of alternative habitats of equivalent or higher value to achieve a net gain for biodiversity.”</i>	To provide clarity in the policy wording in response to representations received from the RSPB (147/11/SP25/2) and the Hampshire & Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust (155/6/SP25) at the Regulation 19 stage.
MAIN-14	SP25	Add an additional criterion (e) to Policy SP25 to state:	Amendment made in response to representations received from the Environment Agency (145/01/SP25) at the

		<i>“A site-specific flood risk assessment will be required and measures put in place to address any flooding issues identified to ensure that the development will be safe for its lifetime.”</i>	Regulation 19 stage highlighting concerns regarding flood risk.
MAIN-15	Paragraph 7.36	Add additional wording at the end of paragraph 7.36 to state: <i>“The proposed route of the England Coast Path runs adjacent to the south western boundary of the site allocation. Development proposals for the site should not prejudice the delivery of this new section of footpath.”</i>	In response the publication of details of the proposed route of the England Coast Path by Natural England.
MAIN-16	SP26	Amend the wording in the first sentence of policy SP26 to state: <i>“Land at Calshot Village is allocated for around 30 dwellings and cemetery use.”</i>	In response to representations (e.g. 45/03/SP26/1/2/3) at Regulation 19 highlighting that detailed site masterplanning may result in a slight variation (up or down) in the total number of dwellings proposed.
MAIN-17	SP30	Amend criterion (c) of Policy SP30 to state: <i>“The housing is subject to an occupancy condition and remains available for Estate Workers, or last employed as Estate Workers, in perpetuity; and...”</i>	In response to representations received from the Beaulieu Estate (173/01/SP30/2) at Regulation 19 stage to clarify that Estate Workers’ Housing would also be available to retired Estate Workers.
MAIN-18	DP34	Amend the wording of Policy DP34 to state: <i>“To ensure the conservation and enhancement of the built heritage of the Defined Villages, development proposals within the villages must be informed by consideration of the character of the local area. The four Defined Villages are rural areas often characterised by spacious residential plots set within mature landscapes and. Ddevelopment densities should reflect the strong built heritage of the Defined Villages, and their locally distinctive character and location within a nationally protected landscape.”</i>	This proposed change arises from the discussions on Matter 7 of the Examination hearing sessions.

Annex 2: Schedule of Proposed Minor Modifications (Post-Examination hearing sessions) – 25 March 2019

This schedule sets out the **Proposed Minor Modifications**, which are being recommended by the Authority under Section 20 (7C) of the Planning & Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 to the Inspectors. In the Authority’s opinion they do not alter the overall impact of the draft Local Plan, change its direction, or affect the substance or soundness of the document. They are focused on factual updates, clarification, and corrections to wording. Where new text is proposed it is shown in bold and where text is proposed for removal it has been struck through as set out below.

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Chapter 1: Introduction

Reference	Policy / Paragraph	Proposed Minor Change	Reason for Proposed Modification (including representation no. if applicable)
MIN-01	Paragraph 1.17	Insert new paragraph to state: <i>“In January 2018 the Government published ‘A Green future: Our 25 Year Plan to Improve the Environment’. The Environment Plan sets out the Government’s goals for improving the environment, within a generation. It details how the Government will work with communities and businesses to do this. The Plan includes the commitment to continue to conserve and enhance the natural beauty of National Parks, while recognising that they are living landscapes that support rural communities.”</i>	Factual update in response to the publication of the Government’s 25 year Environment Plan in January 2018.

Chapter 2: Profile of the New Forest National Park

Reference	Policy / Paragraph	Proposed Minor Change	Reason for Proposed Modification (including representation no. if applicable)
MIN-02	Para 2.6	Amend paragraph 2.6 under the 'Cultural Heritage' subheading to state at the end of the existing paragraph: " <i>The cultural heritage of the National Park extends beyond its rich built environment and includes the long history of commoning in the New Forest. Commoning has helped shape the mosaic of landscapes, biodiversity and character of the National Park.</i> "	In response to Regulation 19 representations received from the Commoners Defence Association (118/05/Para2.6) highlighting the contribution of commoning to the cultural heritage of the National Park.
MIN-03	Para 2.10	Amend paragraph 2.10 to state: " <i>Other smaller settlements with a basic range of local services within the National Park include Beaulieu, Burley, Cadnam, East Boldre, Landford, Netley Marsh and Woodgreen.</i> "	In response to Regulation 19 representations received (170/3/2.10).

Chapter 3: Vision and Objectives

No minor modifications proposed.

Chapter 4: Strategic Policies and Development Principles

Reference	Policy / Paragraph	Proposed Minor Change	Reason for Proposed Modification (including representation no. if applicable)
MIN-04	SP1	Amend criteria (b) of Policy SP1 to state: " <i>Has a positive impact on the ability of the natural environment to positively contribute to society through the provision of food and water, regulation of floods, prevention of soil erosion and disease outbreaks, and non-material benefits such as recreation.</i> "	For clarification in response to Regulation 19 representations received from CPRE New Forest Branch (142/03/SP1).
MIN-05	DP2 (c) and (d)	Amend criterion (c) and (d) of Policy DP2 to state:	In response to discussions on Matter 3 of the Examination hearing sessions

		<p>c) <i>development takes opportunities to protect and enhance the setting of groups and individual trees, hedges and hedgerows and to include new planting of native trees and hedges;</i></p> <p>d) <i>materials and boundary treatments are appropriate to the site and its setting;</i></p>	and the representations made by Sway Parish Council.
MIN-06	Policy DP2 (e) and (f)	<p>Amend criterion (e) and (f) of Policy DP2 to state:</p> <p>e) <i>development would not result in unacceptable adverse impacts on amenity</i> <i>amenity is not adversely affected in terms of additional impacts, visual intrusion, overlooking or shading;</i> <i>and</i></p> <p>f) <i>development would not result in unacceptable</i> <i>no</i>-adverse impacts associated with traffic or pollution (including air, soil, water, noise and light pollution)</p>	In response to discussions on Matter 3 of the Examination hearing sessions and the representations made by Turleys obo the Barker-Mill Estate.
MIN-07	Para. 4.8	<p>Amend paragraph 4.8 to state:</p> <p><i>“Major development is therefore only permitted within protected landscapes in exceptional circumstances and where it can be demonstrated that it is in the public interest, as outlined in the NPPF. In short, proposals have to demonstrate that they are absolutely necessary; in the public interest; and that there is no practical alternative before they can be supported.”</i></p>	For clarification in response to Regulation 19 representation received from ABP (162/3/4.8) and to ensure consistency with national policy in paragraph 116 of the NPPF (2012).
MIN-08	Para. 4.20	<p>Amend paragraph 4.20 to state: <i>“The Spatial Strategy also reflects the proximity of the National Park to surrounding urban areas which provide a range of services. These areas are more appropriate locations for development.”</i></p>	In response to representations received from Wiltshire Council (153/4/Spatial Strategy) and to ensure the Authority’s Local Plan only provides planning policy coverage for development proposals within the National Park.

Chapter 5: Protecting and Enhancing the Natural Environment

Reference	Policy / Paragraph	Proposed Minor Change	Reason for Proposed Modification (including representation no. if applicable)
MIN-09	Para 5.8	Amend Para 5.8 to state: “Currently 53% of the National Park’s SSSI-area is in favourable condition⁸” has been gradually improving over the last decade, but currently about 43% is in unfavourable but recovering condition⁸ Amend footnote 8 to state: “State of the Park Report 2016, and Hampshire Biodiversity Information Centre Annual Biodiversity Monitoring Reports 2017”	To provide clarity on the trends for SSSI condition in response to Regulation 19 representations received from RSPB and Friends of the New Forest (147/05/Para 5.8, 109/05/ Para 5.8, 5.11)
MIN-10	Para 5.8	Amend Para 5.8 to state: <i>“Trends in a variety of key species, such as the curlew, appear to show declines which reflect a variety of pressures, and the densities of several protected birds, including nightjar, woodlark, and Dartford Warbler are relatively low compared with other lowland heathland areas.”</i>	To provide greater clarity about the condition of protected species in response to Regulation 19 representations received from RSPB and Friends of the New Forest (147/05/ Para 5.8, 109/05/ Para 5.8, 5.11)
MIN-11	Policy SP5	Amend Policy SP5 to state: “However, development may satisfy the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations if sufficient and effective measures are put in place to avoid or fully mitigate any likely significant adverse effects of the proposal (either individually or in combination with other plans and projects) through its lifetime on the designated sites. A contribution to the Authority’s Habitat Mitigation Scheme and/or the Solent Recreation Mitigation Partnership’s Scheme will enable developers to ensure that mitigation measures are secured for the recreational impacts of their development. <i>The type of development and situations where recreational impacts can be mitigated are described in the Authority’s Habitat Mitigation Scheme Guidance Note and the Solent Recreation Mitigation Strategy Explanatory Note.</i>	To clarify that the Authority’s Habitat Mitigation Scheme and the Solent Recreation Mitigation Partnership’s Scheme are designed to only mitigate the recreational impacts of development, and other impacts will be considered separately in response to Regulation 19 representation received from Natural England (164/4/SP5)

		<p><i>Avoidance and mitigation may not be possible in some cases due to the impacts, scale, type or proximity of the proposed development...</i></p> <p>Amend paragraph 5.14 to state: "<i>However, due to the impacts, scale, type or proximity of the proposed development...</i>"</p>	
MIN-12	Para 5.15	<p>Amend paragraph 5.15 to state: <i>"Details of the mitigation measures can be found in the Authority's Habitat Mitigation Scheme¹¹ and those for that of the Solent Recreation Mitigation Partnership Scheme can be found in the Authority's Habitat Mitigation Scheme Guidance Note¹⁴ and the Solent Recreation Mitigation Strategy Explanatory Note¹²."</i></p>	To clarify where the details of the mitigation measures can be found.
MIN-13	New paragraph after Para 5.17	<p>Add a new paragraph after Paragraph 5.17 to state: "Terrestrial Waders and Brent Goose sites located on land outside the boundaries of the Solent SPAs can support these birds, and details are outlined in the Solent Waders and Brent Goose Strategy."</p>	To provide reference to Waders and Brent Goose sites in response to the Regulation 19 representation received from Natural England. (164/4/SP5)
MIN-14	Footnote to Policy SP6	<p>Amend footnote 13 to state: <i>"In particular, for greenfield development, replacement dwellings, and extensions affecting roof structures, and those affecting identified biodiversity interests. The Authority's biodiversity checklist provides guidance."</i></p>	To implement Natural England's advice contained in their Regulation 19 representation (164/5/SP6)
MIN-15	Para 5.24	<p>Add wording to paragraph 5.24 to state: <i>"The diverse landscape of the New Forest, including the ancient woodlands, mature trees and hedgerows, heathlands..."</i></p>	To emphasise the importance of trees and hedgerows in the landscape in response to the Regulation 19 representation from Godshill Parish Council (31/05/SP7)
MIN-16	Para 5.25	<p>Amend the final sentence paragraph of paragraph 5.25 to state: <i>"The Authority will seek to ensure that the high quality, diverse, historic and distinct landscapes and seascapes..."</i></p>	To ensure that historic landscapes are also considered in response to the Regulation 19 representation from Hampshire County Council (151/02/ SP1, DP2, Para 5.25)

MIN-17	Para 5.34	Amend paragraph 5.34 to state: <i>"The Authority will also support the Environment Agency, Southern Water and Natural England, water companies, and surrounding authorities in the development of any strategic solution to reducing nutrient inputs to the Solent and River Avon internationally designated nature conservation sites from wastewater discharges. Developments that could affect these sites will be considered under Policy SP5."</i>	To implement Natural England's advice contained in their Regulation 19 representation (164/7/DP8, 164/13/HRA).
MIN-18	Para 5.39	Add wording before last sentence in paragraph 5.39 to state: "Together with the potential for water abstraction impacts on nature conservation interests, the highest standards of water efficiency need to be adopted."	To implement Natural England's advice contained in their Regulation 19 representation (164/7/DP8, 164/13/HRA).
MIN-19	Para 5.59	Amend paragraph 5.59 to state: <i>"Within the National Park the Shoreline Management Plan proposes to 'Hold the Line' (i.e. maintain or upgrade the level of protection provided by existing coastal defences) in built-up locations on the coast between Hurst Spit and Elmer's Court outside Lymington, between Sowley and Saltershill, and around Calshot such as around Lymington, but proposes 'No Active Intervention' (i.e. a decision not to invest in providing or maintaining any defences) elsewhere. for other less inhabited areas</i>	Clarification of the areas covered by 'Hold the Line' and 'No Active Intervention' in the North Solent Shoreline Management Plan in response to the Regulation 19 representation from the Beaulieu Estate (170/1/5.59)
MIN-20	Para 5.61 (final sentence)	Amend paragraph 5.61 to state: <i>"Only if there are no reasonably available suitable alternative sites should can development in areas of higher risk (Flood Zones 2 and 3) be considered by applying the 'exception test' as outlined in National Planning Practice Guidance."</i>	In response to discussions on Matter 5 of the Examination hearing sessions and to ensure consistency with national policy on flood risk and the 'exception test' contained within the NPPF (2012).
MIN-21	DP12 (b)	Amend criterion (b) of Policy DP12 to state:	In response to discussions on Matter 5 of the Examination hearing sessions and to ensure consistency with national policy on

		b) <i>do not comply with the sequential test, and, if necessary, the exception test (as outlined in National Planning Practice Guidance), or are inappropriate in high flood risk areas (as defined by the Environment Agency's Flood Zones 2 and 3 categories and the New Forest Strategic Flood Risk Assessment 2017); or</i>	flood risk and the 'exception test' contained within the NPPF (2012).
MIN-22	Policy DP13	Amend Policy DP13 d) to state: " <i>...protect or enhance coastal habitats and species, including all designated nature conservation sites; and</i> "	To emphasise the importance of designated nature conservation sites along the coast in response to the representation received from RSPB and HOIWWT (147/09/DP13, 155/5/DP13)
MIN-23	Para 5.67 (penultimate sentence)	Amend the penultimate sentence in paragraph 5.67 to state: " <i>The New Forest is not an appropriate location for large on-shore wind development due to insufficient wind speed and the impact such development would have on the landscape and statutory National Park purposes.</i> "	In response to discussions on Matter 5 of the Examination hearing sessions.
MIN-24	Policy SP14	Amend criterion (c) of Policy SP14 to state: " <i>...on the landscape character, heritage assets, natural beauty, wildlife, tranquillity or other special qualities of the National Park.</i> "	To emphasise the importance of the historic environment in response to the Regulation 19 representation from Historic England (138/15/SP14).
MIN-25	Para 5.70	Amend paragraph 5.70 to state: " <i>...to protect the natural, historic and built environment...</i> "	To emphasise the importance of the historic environment in response to the Regulation 19 representations from Historic England (138/15/SP14).

Chapter 6: Protecting and Enhancing the Historic & Built Environment

Reference	Policy / Paragraph	Proposed Minor Change	Reason for Proposed Modification (including representation no. if applicable)
MIN-26	Paragraph 6.15	Add the following text to the end of paragraph 6.15: <i>“Some archaeological assets may not be scheduled but are still nevertheless demonstrably of equivalent significance to scheduled monuments, and therefore will be subject to the policies for designated heritage assets, in accordance with the NPPF.”</i>	To clarify the implementation of Policy SP16 following representations from Historic England and to refer to national policy set out in the NPPF.
MIN-27	Paragraph 6.17	Move existing paragraph 6.17 to become a new paragraph 6.9, and renumber the remaining paragraphs accordingly.	Proposed modification in response to Regulation 19 representation from Hampshire County Council and to ensure the Plan reads more clearly with regard to the supporting text on the assessment of harm.

Chapter 7: Vibrant Communities

Reference	Policy / Paragraph	Proposed Minor Change	Reason for Proposed Modification (including representation no. if applicable)
MIN-28	Policy SP19	Amend Policy SP19 to state: <i>“An additional 800 dwellings will be delivered within the New Forest National Park between 2016 and 2036. To meet this, new residential development will be permitted within the National Park to maintain the vitality of local communities and support local services where the proposal involves:</i> <i>a) The development of sites allocated for housing in the Local Plan; (300 dwellings);</i> <i>b) The implementation of extant planning permissions; (standing at just over 100 dwellings at 31/03/17)</i>	In response to discussions on Matter 7 of the Examination hearing sessions, the Regulation 19 representations submitted by Draycott Surveyors, to improve the clarity of the policy and clearly set out the various sources of housing supply within the National Park.

		<p>c) <i>The development of land previously unallocated or unidentified (windfall development) within the Defined Villages of the National Park (Policy SP4); (estimated at 400 dwellings over the Plan period, at an annual average of 20 dwellings per annum);</i></p> <p>d) <i>Development that comes forward on appropriate rural exception sites (Policy SP28); and</i></p> <p>e) <i>Housing for New Forest Commoners (Policy SP29); Estate Workers (Policy SP30) and tied agricultural dwellings (Policy DP31)."</i></p>	
MIN-29	Policy SP21	<p>Amend the second paragraph in the policy to state: <i>"This policy applies to applications resulting in net new dwellings. Proposals for replacement dwellings, will be assessed against Policy DP35 and proposals for commoner's dwellings, Estate Workers dwellings and agricultural / forestry workers dwellings will be assessed against their specific policies."</i></p>	To clarify the policy wording.
MIN-30	Paragraph 7.27	<p>Add additional wording to paragraph 7.27 to state: <i>"The site is located within a short, level walk of the existing services within the village, including the station, shops and school. The provision of a safe, off-road pedestrian link from the Jubilee Fields Sports Ground to Church Lane through the site will be supported. The site will also provide additional community benefits..."</i></p>	In response to Regulation 19 representations received from local residents and to encourage the integration of the site allocation with the adjacent facilities and services within the village.
MIN-31	Policy SP24	<p>Amend the wording of criteria (f) of Policy SP24 to state: <i>"The access to the site off Church Lane must ensure adequate visibility splays and provide safe access to the school and on foot to the village centre;"</i></p>	In response to Regulation 19 representations from Hampshire County Council (151/09/SP24), the highway authority for this part of the National Park.
MIN-32	Paragraph 7.30	<p>Reword paragraph 7.30 to state: <i>"This confirms that planning permission should be refused for major developments in these areas except major development should only be permitted in exceptional circumstances and where</i></p>	To ensure consistency with national policy contained within paragraph 116 of the NPPF (2012).

		<p>it can be demonstrated they are in the public interest. The assessment of such proposals should include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The need for the development, including in terms of any national considerations, and the impact of permitting it, or refusing it, upon the local economy. • The cost of, and scope for, developing elsewhere outside the designated area, or meeting the need in some other way; and • Any detrimental impact on the environment, the landscape and recreational opportunities, and the extent to which that could be moderated. 	
MIN-33	Policy SP25 (a)	<p>Amend the wording of criterion (a) of Policy SP25 to state:</p> <p><i>“As part of the comprehensive redevelopment of the adjacent brownfield Power Station site, adjoining land to the south of the site within the National Park is allocated for around 120 dwellings. Development of the land within the Park must deliver:</i></p> <p>(a) 50% of the dwellings in the Southern Quarter of the development site must be affordable housing to meet local needs;”</p>	In response to discussions on Matter 10 of the Examination hearing sessions to improve the clarity of the policy.
MIN-34	Policy SP25 (b)	<p>Amend criteria (b) to state: “The majority of the dwellings At least 50% of the dwellings provided within the National Park must be smaller dwellings (less than 100 square metres) to meet the identified local housing need for smaller dwellings.”</p>	To provide clarity in response to representations received from Fawley Waterside (152/07/SP25).
MIN-35	Para 7.52 (preamble to Policy SP29)	<p>Amend the wording of paragraph 7.52 to state:</p> <p><i>“Stage One is the consideration of an applicant’s commoning history and need for housing. This is undertaken by a Commoners’ Dwelling Scheme Panel which includes representatives from the local Commoners community appointed for their knowledge and understanding of commoning Defence Association and the Verderers, as well as the National Park Authority. The Authority may also invite other organisations concerned with commoning onto the</i></p>	In response to discussions on Matter 7 of the Examination hearing sessions.

		Panel as appropriate. The Panel assesses an applicant's eligibility and makes a recommendation as to whether the application is within or without the remit of the Scheme."	
MIN-36	Policy SP29	Amend the wording of Policy SP29 to state: "As with other new dwellings in the National Park, the total internal habitable floorspace of the dwelling should not exceed 100 square metres."	To ensure consistency of terminology with the policy wording for other net new dwellings permitted under the Local Plan.
MIN-37	Policy SP33 (b)	Amend the wording of criterion (b) of Policy SP33 to state: "Occupancy of the site will be restricted to gypsies and travellers, and travelling showpeople with a local connection to the New Forest National Park;"	In response to discussions on Matter 9 of the Examination hearing sessions to fully reflect the coverage of the policy.
MIN-38	Paragraph 7.74	Amend the final sentence of paragraph 7.74 to state: "The Authority will continue to impose appropriate planning conditions to remove permitted development rights to extend and / or alter approved replacement dwellings other than in accordance with Policy DP36 to ensure that the stock of smaller dwellings in the National Park is maintained."	In response to Regulation 19 representations received regarding the relationship between policy DP35 and DP36 (158/1/DP35).
MIN-39	Policy DP35	Remove the superfluous full stop at the end of the fifth paragraph.	To correct a grammatical error.
MIN-40	Policy DP36	Amend the third paragraph of Policy DP36 to state: "In exceptional circumstances a larger extension may be permitted to meet the genuine family needs of an occupier who works in the immediate locality. In respect of these exceptional circumstances, the total internal habitable floorspace of an extended small dwelling must not exceed 120 square metres."	To provide clarity in the interpretation of the policy.
MIN-41	Paragraph 7.83	Amend paragraph 7.83 to state,	For clarification and in response to Regulation 19 representations received

		<i>“Within the context of the development that takes place within the National Park, developer contributions may be required towards: highway and transportation works; affordable housing...”</i>	from Hampshire County Council (151/12/ Infrastructure Provision (Paragraph 7.83).
MIN-42	Paragraph 7.89	Amend paragraph 7.89 to state: <i>“Essential local community facilities are facilities that are of direct benefit to the immediate local community that provide an essential service, including village shops, pubs and village halls as well as small-scale health, and educational services sports and social facilities. Public open space, sport and recreational facilities are covered by Policy DP10.”</i>	In response to discussions at the Examination hearing sessions to clarify the coverage of the policy.

Chapter 8: A Sustainable Local Economy

Reference	Policy / Paragraph	Proposed Minor Change	Reason for Proposed Modification (including representation no. if applicable)
MIN-43	Policy DP44 (first sentence)	Amend Policy DP44 to state: <i>“The redevelopment of established employment sites for industrial, office, and business and low-key storage uses will be permitted where:”</i>	In response to discussions on Matter 12 of the Examination hearing sessions to clarify the policy intentions.
MIN-44	Paragraph 8.18	Amend the final sentence of paragraph 8.18 to state: <i>“However, the redevelopment of existing employment sites for general storage—and warehousing purposes will not be encouraged...”</i>	In response to discussions on Matter 12 of the Examination hearing sessions to clarify the policy intentions.
MIN-45	Policy DP44	Amend the first sentence of Policy DP44 to state: <i>“The redevelopment of established employment sites...will be permitted throughout the National Park where...”</i>	In response to discussions on Matter 12 of the Examination hearing sessions to clarify the policy intentions.

MIN-46	Policy DP49 (a)	Amend criterion (a) of Policy DP49 to state: <i>“The proposal would not result in the loss of an employment use or community facility and accord with Policy SP39 and Policy SP43;”</i>	In response to discussions on Matter 12 of the Examination hearing sessions to clarify the policy intentions.
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Chapter 9: Transport & Access

Reference	Policy / Paragraph	Proposed Minor Change	Reason for Proposed Modification (including representation no. if applicable)
MIN-47	SP55	Amend Policy SP55 to state: <i>“The Authority will promote safer access and more sustainable forms of transport to and within the National Park for access to services and amenities and for enjoyment, health and well-being...”</i>	To provide clarity that this policy supports utility walking and cycling, as well as for leisure purposes. This was raised by the New Forest Access Forum in their Regulation 19 representations.

Chapter 10: Monitoring and Implementation

Reference	Policy / Paragraph	Proposed Minor Change	Reason for Proposed Modification (including representation no. if applicable)
MIN-48	Chapter 10: Implementation and monitoring	Include following new indicator under Objective 2 in Chapter 10: <i>“Number of heritage assets on the “Heritage At Risk” Register”</i> . No target - contextual indicator only.	To include more indicators relating to the historic environment. This is in response to Historic England’s Regulation 19 representation.

Annex 1: New Forest National Park Special Qualities

No minor modifications proposed.

Annex 2: Car Parking and Cycle Standards

Reference	Policy / Paragraph	Proposed Minor Change	Reason for Proposed Modification (including representation no. if applicable)												
MIN-49	Annex 2	Include explicit reference in Annex 2 to parking standards for retail units as per the new table set out below:	The Authority's adopted Development Standards SPD sets out the Authority's parking standards and refers to the Hampshire County Council Parking Standards as the starting point for other use classes not specifically listed. For clarity the parking requirements for retail units should specifically be set out in the Local Plan. The requirement for parking for retail units are also the same standards as those adopted by New Forest District Council in their Parking Standards SPD (2012).												
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MIN-50	Annex 2	Adjust formatting of the tables set out in Annex 2 to ensure all wording is shown correctly.	To correct a formatting issue.												
MIN-51	Annex 2	Amend Annex 2 to insert additional new text under the heading: <i>"This annex sets out the required parking standards, rather than maximum or minimum standards. All new development proposals should comply with these standards. Reduced</i>	In response to discussion on Matter 14 at the Examination hearing sessions and the representations made by Sway Parish Council.												

		<i>parking provision may be acceptable in certain circumstances, such as where there is relatively good accessibility by public transport.</i>	
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Annex 3: Local Connections Criteria

Reference	Policy / Paragraph	Proposed Minor Change	Reason for Proposed Modification (including representation no. if applicable)
MIN-52	Annex 3 – Local connections criteria	Insert an additional paragraph between paragraphs A3.2 and A3.3 to state: <i>“The allocation of affordable housing within the National Park will be guided by the policies and criteria of the respective housing authorities. Each of the three constituent housing authorities (New Forest District Council, Wiltshire Council and Test Valley Borough Council) has their own local connections criteria for allocating affordable housing and the National Park Authority will liaise with the relevant housing authority when affordable housing is granted permission. New Forest District Council is the housing authority for the majority of the National Park and set out below is a summary of the local connections criteria applied by the District Council in allocating affordable housing for local people.”</i>	In response to Regulation 19 representations received from Wiltshire Council (153/6/Annex 3) highlighting their role as the statutory housing authority for part of the National Park.

Proposed Additional Site Allocation – Ashurst Hospital (Policy XX)

Reference	Policy / Paragraph	Proposed Minor Change	Reason for Proposed Modification (including representation no. if applicable)

MIN-53	Paragraph 3	Amend the first sentence of paragraph 3 to state: <i>"Policy XX allocates the site for a mix of residential (C2 care home use or extra care) and retained healthcare provision."</i>	In response to discussions at the proposed Ashurst Hospital site allocation policy hearing session (March 2019).
MIN-54	Paragraph 5	Amend the final sentence of paragraph 5 to state: <i>"The requirement to ensure no adverse impact on the adjacent national and internationally protected habitats will also influence the form of the C2 care home or extra care residential development on site."</i>	In response to discussions at the proposed Ashurst Hospital site allocation policy hearing session (March 2019).
MIN-55	Policy XX	Amend the second bullet point in the proposed policy to state: <i>"Around 30 residential units (Use Class C2 care home or extra care use) on the remaining previously developed part of the site (i.e. on the footprint of the existing buildings and car park)."</i>	In response to discussions at the proposed Ashurst Hospital site allocation policy hearing session (March 2019).
MIN-56	Policy XX (e)	Amend criterion (e) of Policy XX to state: <i>"Proposals for extra care use (that is not C2 Use) must provide on-site affordable extra care housing for local people in housing need as close to the Authority's target of 50% affordable housing as is viable."</i>	In response to discussions at the proposed Ashurst Hospital site allocation policy hearing session (March 2019).
MIN-57	Policy XX (f)	Amend criterion (f) of Policy XX to state: <i>"Proposals for C2 care home use must be accompanied by a legal agreement requiring the occupancy to be limited to those with a local connection."</i>	In response to discussions at the proposed Ashurst Hospital site allocation policy hearing session (March 2019).