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Do you consider the

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Yes

First name: Caroline Surname: Ellis Address: Town Hall Fore Street Okehampton EX20 1AA I am completing this form as: A town/parish council If other, please specify: Job title: Organisation: Okehampton Town Council On behalf of: Email address: accounts@okehampton.gov.uk Did you submit comments on the Regulation 18 (First Yes Draft) Local Plan?: Local Plan Consultee List: I would like to be added to the Local Plan consultee list **Share your comments** Does your comment relate to a paragraph, Paragraph policy or policies map?: Please tell us which paragraph/policy your Page 93 4.3.2 page 96 page 108 comment relates to: Do you consider the Local Plan to be legally Yes compliant?: Do you consider the Local Plan to be sound?: No

compliant with the duty to co-operate?:

 Please tell us why you have answered yes and/or no to the questions above: Point 3 This information is incorrect and needs to be updated. The lease for the service to Okehampton is due to be renewed in November 2019. The Okehampton service to Exeter could be operational by the earliest in May 2020; not 2030+. The Tavistock to Plymouth route is more realistically 2030+. The policy statement 4.3.2 needs to be amended to reflect the difference between the Okehampton and the Tavistock to Plymouth possible operational dates. Page 96 The council welcomes more electric vehicle charging points for visitors to DNP Page 108 c & d The council supports the need for connecting services at both Ivybridge and Okehampton with DNP. Public transport needs to allow visitors direct access to DNP

- What modifications do you consider necessary to make the Local Plan legally compliant and/or sound?:
- Do you wish to participate in hearing session(s)?:
- If you answered yes to the hearing session(s), please tell us why you consider this to be necessary:

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

 Does your comment relate to a paragraph, policy or policies map?:

Paragraph

 Please tell us which paragraph/policy your comment relates to:

Page 59, 89 & 93

 Do you consider the Local Plan to be legally compliant?:

Yes

 Do you consider the Local Plan to be sound?:

No

• Do you consider the Local Plan to be compliant with the duty to co-operate?:

Yes

 Please tell us why you have answered yes and/or no to the questions above: Page 59 Housing development in DNP 3.1.2 The council agree that residents need to be encouraged to stay and work in the area with more affordable housing. Page 89 Strategy Access to DNP should be encouraged through sustainable transport. This includes public transport, train etc. Page93 Transport 4.3.1 The council agree that there is a lack of work-time connections with the public transport. Both commuters and visitors should be encouraged to use public transport with the possibility of taking bicycles on both the train and buses to enable the continuation of the journey by bicycle.

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Page 47, 48 & 50

 Do you consider the Local Plan to be legally compliant?:

Yes

 Do you consider the Local Plan to be sound?:

No

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Yes

 Please tell us why you have answered yes and/or no to the questions above: Page 47 2.6.5 Conserving & Enhancing Heritage Assets Okehampton has significance heritage assets. Including Roman Road and Fort as well as the Castle. The council agree with the policy in protecting these assets. Page 48 2.6.11 Conservation Areas The council note that the towns of Okehampton and Ivybridge are not mentioned as being towns on the edge of DNP. Page 50 2 The council are concerned about the lack of infrastructure, services and facilities. For example, the lack of Doctors and Dentists to serve the local population are a major concern.

 What modifications do you consider necessary to make the Local Plan legally compliant and/or sound?:

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Paragraph

 Please tell us which paragraph/policy your comment relates to:

Page 33 & 38

 Do you consider the Local Plan to be legally compliant?:

Yes

 Do you consider the Local Plan to be sound?:

No

• Do you consider the Local Plan to be compliant with the duty to co-operate?:

Yes

 Please tell us why you have answered yes and/or no to the questions above: Page 33 2.2.6 Landscape Setting The council agree with the points regarding residential or industrial development in the land surrounding DNP. Page 38 2.3.15 & 2.3.17 The council identifies the pressure of the increase of the population as well as the visitor numbers. Sustainable transport infrastructure would help to maintain the air and water quality.

 What modifications do you consider necessary to make the Local Plan legally compliant and/or sound?:

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Paragraph

 Please tell us which paragraph/policy your comment relates to:

Page 27 1.6.9

 Do you consider the Local Plan to be legally compliant?:

Yes

 Do you consider the Local Plan to be sound?:

No

 Do you consider the Local Plan to be compliant with the duty to co-operate?:

Yes

 Please tell us why you have answered yes and/or no to the questions above: 1.6.9 Sustainable Construction Principles The council agree and would like sustainable housing and possible zero carbon properties built, therefore, minimizing carbon emissions. Passive designs should be encouraged. 1.6.9 Sustainable Construction Principles (Point 3) The council would like renewable energy to be generated locally. Encouraging hydro power as well and wind power.

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Page 25

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Yes

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Environmental sustainability - The council supports and agrees this statement to achieve efficient use and protection of natural resources. Enhance Biodiversity - As A neighbouring town of DNP the Council supports and welcomes biodiversity. Promote sustainable means of travel and easy access - the council wish to emphasis the need for rail access both North and South of NP. All forms of public transport should be promoted including buses and trains. There is no mention of public transport in this section.

 What modifications do you consider necessary to make the Local Plan legally compliant and/or sound?:

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**Policy** 

 Please tell us which paragraph/policy your comment relates to:

Strategic Policy 1.2 (2)

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No

 Do you consider the Local Plan to be compliant with the duty to co-operate?:

Yes

 Please tell us why you have answered yes and/or no to the questions above:

Point 1. C The council feel that this should be more specific. Sustainable transport should be added including rail and bus infrastructure. Allowing direct access to DNP. Point 1. L It was noted that only travel by public transport, cycle or foot was mentioned. Rail transportation was not included. 1 - The council wishes a statement of sustainable transport to be included. No mention in the Strategic Policy 1.3

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Paragraph

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Section 1 page 18

 Do you consider the Local Plan to be legally compliant?:

Yes

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No

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Yes

 Please tell us why you have answered yes and/or no to the questions above: The council supports the point for sustainable transport. Needs to encourage transition from road to rail. Rail transport enables international transport access to DNP. The box 11 promotes sustainable transport showing a bicycle. both train and bus should be also shown as sustainable modes of transport.

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Page 6

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Yes

• Please tell us why you have answered yes and/or no to the questions above:

Page 6 Bullet points 5 & 6 This is in accordance with Okehampton Town Council local initiative group. The council acknowledges and welcomes this point. Unfortunately, Okehampton is lacking the employment infrastructure, thereby residents still need to travel to Exeter for employment.

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