

Rother Local Plan 2025–2042

Proposed Submission (Regulation 19)

Response Form

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.

Rother District Council is inviting residents, businesses and stakeholders to make formal representations on its Local Plan before it is submitted to the Planning Inspectorate for independent examination.

The six-week period for making representations is open as follows:

- Commences: Monday 12 October 2026
- Closes: Tuesday 24 November 2026 at 23:59

The Submission Local Plan and all of its supporting evidence base documents can be found and commented on via the Council's website at www.rother.gov.uk/draftlocalplan2026.

Hard copies of the Local Plan are also available at the Council Offices at Bexhill Town Hall and at the libraries in Bexhill, Battle, Rye, Northiam and Wadhurst.

The Council strongly recommends that responses are submitted via our online consultation portal. This is the fastest method which allows you to comment directly against specific policies, sections of the Plan, and site allocations.

You may also respond by email or post by filling this form and then sending it by email to draftlocalplan@rother.gov.uk or by post to: The Planning Policy Team, Rother District Council, Town Hall, Bexhill-on-Sea, TN39 3JX. Please note that submissions made via post will not receive confirmation that they have been received.

Please read our [Consultation Guidance Notes](#) before completing this form.

DATA PROTECTION STATEMENT

Rother District Council is committed to ensuring that your privacy is protected and will only use and store your personal data in line with the UK General Data Protection Regulations and the Data Protection Act 2018. We collect and use your personal data in order to provide services you have requested from us or to carry out our legal obligations to you. We will not disclose your personal data to any third parties, unless we need to do so to provide a service to you or we are legally required to do so. We may share your personal data with other Council departments in order to provide the service you have requested and to ensure that the information we hold about you is accurate and up to date. Our Privacy Policy sets out how we collect, use and securely hold your data and can be viewed on our privacy policy page at <https://www.rother.gov.uk/data-protection-and-foi/privacy-policy/>. If you want more information on how a particular Council service uses your personal data, please view the Privacy Notices at the bottom of the above privacy policy page.

Please be aware that any comments you submit cannot be treated in confidence as the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012, as amended, requires copies of all representations to be made publicly available. The Council will publish names and representations on its website, but will not publish personal information, such as telephone numbers, emails or private addresses. By submitting a representation, you are accordingly confirming that you agree to this and accept responsibility for your comments.

PART A – PERSONAL DETAILS

Please complete this part once. You must provide these details for us to accept your representation.

1. Personal Details

**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 Table 2.*

Title	
First Name	
Surname	
Job Title (where relevant)	
Organisation (where relevant)	
Address	
Post Code	
Email address	

2. Agents Details or Other Details (if making a representation on behalf of the above)

Title	
First Name	
Surname	
Job Title (where relevant)	
Organisation (where relevant)	
Address	
Post Code	
Email address	

PART B – YOUR REPRESENTATION(S)

Please complete a separate PART B sheet for each policy, site, or matter you wish to comment on.

Name or Organisation	
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1. To which part of the Local Plan does this representation relate?

Policy reference	
Paragraph number	
Policies Map	
Sustainability Appraisal	
Other (please specify)	

2. Do you consider the part of the Local Plan that you have indicated above is:

	YES	NO
Legally compliant	☐	☐
Sound	☐	☐

3. If you consider the Local Plan is **NOT** Sound, please indicate which test(s) of soundness your representation relates to:

Soundness test (select any that applies)	
☐	Positively prepared
☐	Justified
☐	Effective
☐	Consistent with National Policy

The tests of soundness are set out in the National Planning Policy Framework. Information can also be found in the Council's [Consultation Guidance Notes](#).

4. Please provide full details of why you consider this part of the Local Plan is not legally compliant or unsound. Please be as precise as possible. If you wish to support the legal compliance or soundness of the Local Plan please also use this box to set out your comments.

Should you require further space, please continue on a separate page or sheet of paper as necessary.

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

5. Please set out the modification(s) you consider necessary to make this part of the Local Plan legally compliant and sound, and why each modification(s) will make the Local Plan legally compliant and 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.

Please note: your representation should succinctly cover all the evidence and supporting information necessary to support your comments and suggested modification(s). You should not assume that there will be a further opportunity to submit evidence. After this stage, further submissions may only be made if invited by the Inspector, based on the matters and issues he or she identifies for examination.

Should you require further space, please continue on a separate page or sheet of paper as necessary.

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

6. If you are proposing a change to the Local Plan, please indicate whether you consider it necessary to participate in the examination hearing session(s).

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.

☐	YES I want to participate in the hearing session.
☐	NO I do not wish to participate in the hearing session.

If you wish to participate in the hearing session(s), please explain why you consider this is necessary.

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

7. Please indicate whether you wish to be notified at the following stages of the Local Plan preparation:

When the Local Plan is submitted for examination	☐
When the Inspector's report and recommendations are published	☐
When the Local Plan is formally adopted by the Council	☐