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Dear Mr. Merrill

Thanks for your email of 2nd February. I have read the Diss section of the GNLP, am aware of the plan context, and attended the Diss Roadshow on 3rd March.

Attached please find my consultation response to this limited section of the gnlp ... sites for housing. I cannot find where to lodge it on the gnlp website and would be grateful if you would redirect it to the correct location together with this enclosing email.

I realise my comments will in no way be acceptable as they run against the County's whole pattern for establishing a Local Plan and the Regulation 18 procedure that allows selection of individual housing sites, a single element of any plan, to be subject of separate consultation. However, as I feel strongly that this is the wrong approach and, extraordinarily, seems to undermine the proclamations of our Royal Institute as to what should constitutes good planning. My concern comes, in main, from being trained and practising in a generation a time long ago when, before being smothered by verbiage and procedure, design was an essential ... if not a primary ... facet of making a plan. So, I have rather 'let myself go' in these consultation responses. My apologies if none are considered relevant.

I am sure you will put my concerns down to my rather traditional approach to planning, that it also is a design skill and should aim at creating and furthering a sense of place and community. I doubt if the points I make can be taken into account as they affect the whole plan rather than the detail currently subject to consultation. Possibly the only response is to file this consultation and forget it!

Regards

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