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# Sefton Council



## Bootle Area Action Plan - Publication Draft Representations (Comments) Form

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This form has two parts:

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

Part B – Your comment(s). You may wish to use a separate sheet for each comment you wish to make.

### Part A - Personal Details

Title: Mr    Name: William Ward

Organisation (if relevant): The Woodland Trust

On behalf of (if relevant): \_\_\_\_\_

Address1: Kempton Way

Address2: \_\_\_\_\_

Town: Grantham Postcode: NG31 6LL

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

## Part B – Your comments

To which part of the Bootle AAP does this representation relate?  
Please specify which section, policy, paragraph, plan allocation, designation or other aspect of the Bootle AAP that your comment relates to.

Section/policy/paragraph/allocation/designation/other:

### BAAP9 – Nature

Do you consider the Bootle AAP is (Please tick as appropriate):

Legally compliant	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Sound	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Complies with the Duty to co-operate	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

Please give details of why you consider the Bootle AAP 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 or its compliance with the duty to co-operate, please also use this box to set out your comments.

The AAP must ensure it is compliant with paragraph 186c of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF), which states that any development that results in the loss or deterioration of irreplaceable habitats, such as ancient woodland and ancient or veteran trees, should be refused. We consider that any policy is not legally compliant or sound unless areas of ancient woodland are excluded from development sites, with appropriate buffers specified, and reserve the right to oppose this policy if it later becomes apparent that unmapped ancient woodland is present within the site boundary.

We would also recommend the Council set out how it will encourage developers to secure measurable net gains for biodiversity where development proposals have not provided Biodiversity Net Gain and how it will ensure these measures are actually delivered.

We welcome that the plan includes a direction for developers to take opportunities to create and improve wildlife corridors and to connect existing and new areas of biodiversity value.

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Please set out the modification(s) you consider necessary to make the Bootle AAP 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).

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

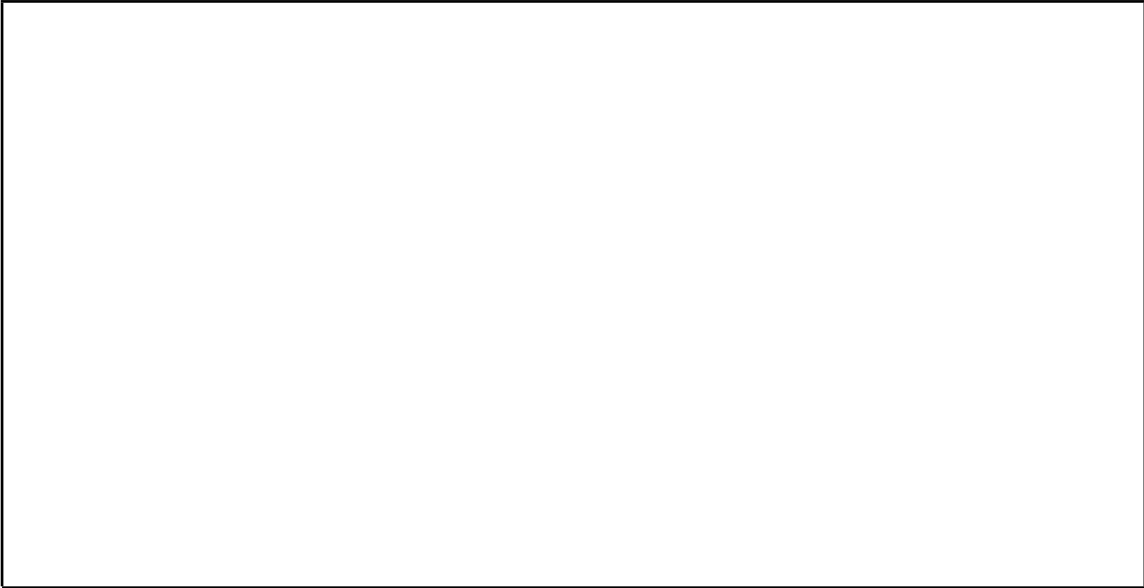
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### BAAP11 – Public Green Spaces

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We welcome that all public green spaces will be protected from new development **except** for where the development is necessary to enable the site to be continued to be used, or where the development is for alternative sports and recreational provision where the benefits clearly outweigh the loss of the current or former use. **In these circumstances, however, this must not include the felling of or the encroachment upon existing trees in these public green spaces.**

The Trust also welcomes the commitment to improving access to and links between public green spaces.

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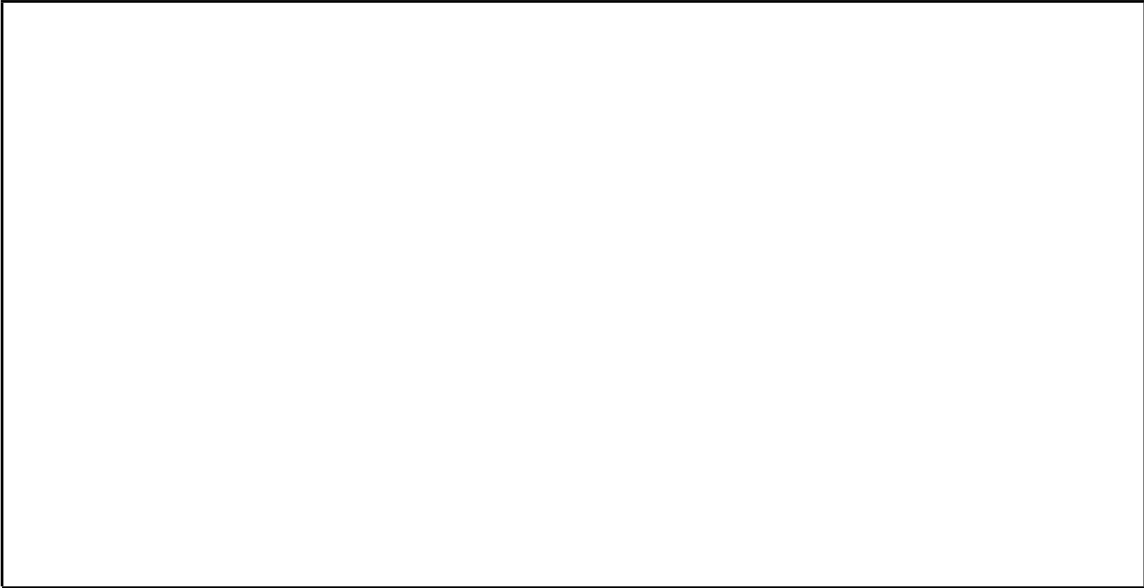
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