

ROSSENDALE DRAFT LOCAL PLAN
Pre-Submission Publication Version
Regulation 19 Consultation
OVERVIEW OF COMMENTS RECEIVED



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Rossendale
BOROUGH COUNCIL

1. General Overview

1.1 Overview

1.1.1 The six weeks consultation on the Local Plan Pre-Submission Publication version, also called Regulation 19 consultation, took place between 23 August 2018 and 5 October 2018. During this time, 556 respondents made 826 comments on the Local Plan.

1.1.2 The Council also received comments from 12 respondents after the end of the consultation period and therefore those comments are not included in the report. The Planning Inspector will be made aware that some comments were received late.

1.1.3 The view of respondents regarding the legality, soundness and compliance with the duty to co-operate is summarised in Table 1. The majority of the respondents did not explicitly respond to the questions set out in the questionnaire. This is partly due to the fact that the online and paper forms were not widely used by the respondents, and instead different templates and emails were received.

Percentage of responses based on 826 comments	Yes	No	Did not answer
Is the Local Plan legally compliant?	9%	7%	84%
Is the Local Plan sound?	4%	23%	73%
Does the Local Plan comply with the duty to co-operate?	8%	7%	85%

Table 1: Percentage of respondents' opinions regarding the legality, soundness and compliance with the duty to co-operate of the Local Plan.

1.1.4 It is to be noted that respondents expressed an interest to participate at the Local Plan Examination in Public on 65 topics. Table 2 summarises the responses to this question.

Percentage of responses based on 817 comments	Yes	No	Did not answer
Do you want to participate at the EIP?	9%	13%	78%

Table 2: Percentage of respondents' interest in participating to the Examination in Public based on 817 comments.

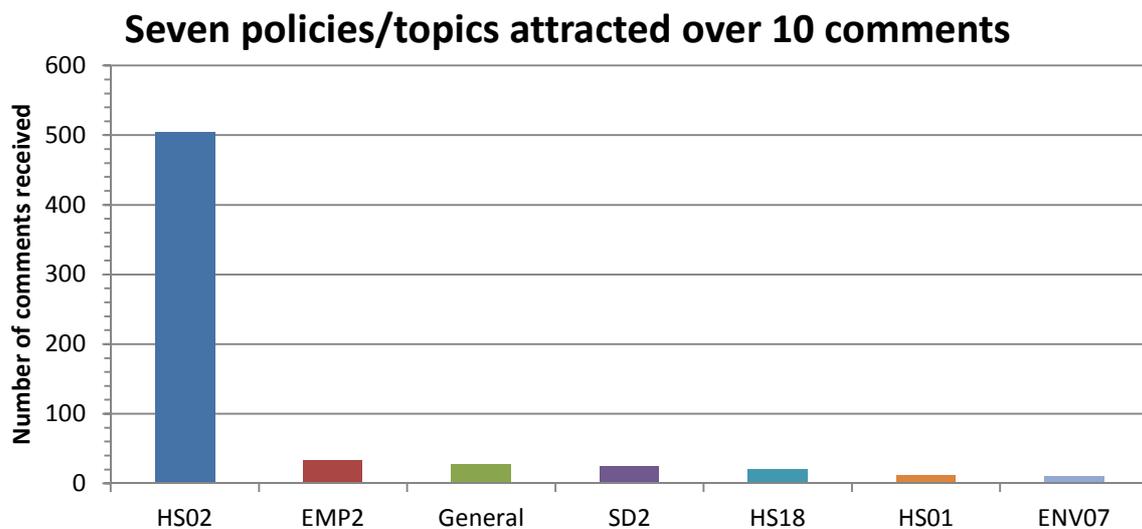
1.2 Policies or Topics attracting interest

1.2.1 The majority of the comments (over 500 comments) relate to Policy HS2: Housing Site Allocations. Six other policies attracted large number of comments:

- Employment Site Allocations (Policy EMP2) with 34 comments

- General comments on the Local Plan (28 comments)
- Urban Boundary and Green Belt policy (Policy SD2) with 25 comments
- Gypsies, Travellers and Showpeople policy (Policy HS18) with 21 comments
- Meeting Rosendale’s Housing Requirement (Policy HS1) with 12 comments
- Wind Turbines policy (ENV7) with 11 comments

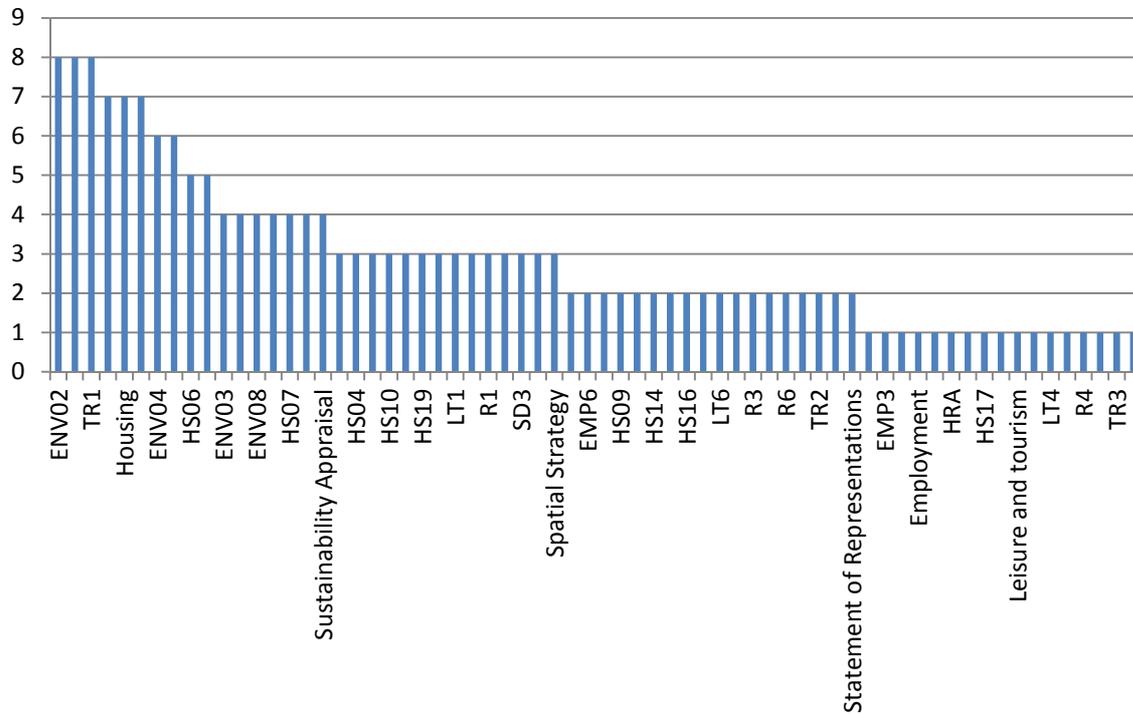
Graph 1 shows the seven policies / topics which attracted the largest number of comments.



Graph 1: Seven policies or topics which attracted over 10 comments

1.2.2 The remainder of the policies attracted less than 10 comments (please see graph 2).

Policies / topics attracting fewer than 10 comments

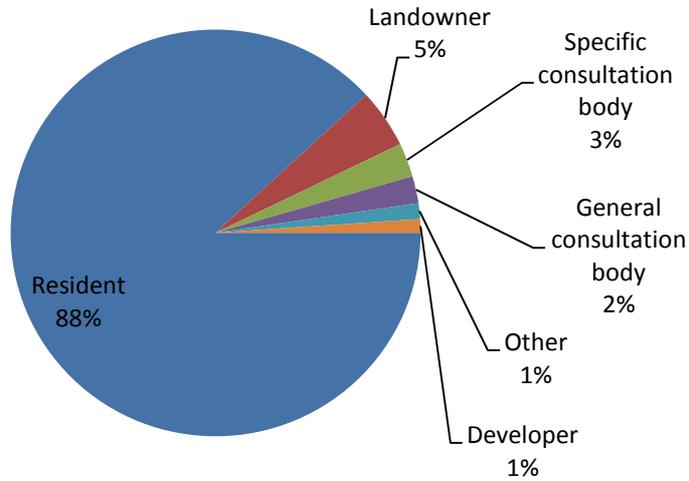


Graph 2: Policies or topics which obtained fewer than 10 comments

1.3 Who responded and how?

1.3.1 The majority of the respondents who commented during the consultation are residents (please see graph 3).

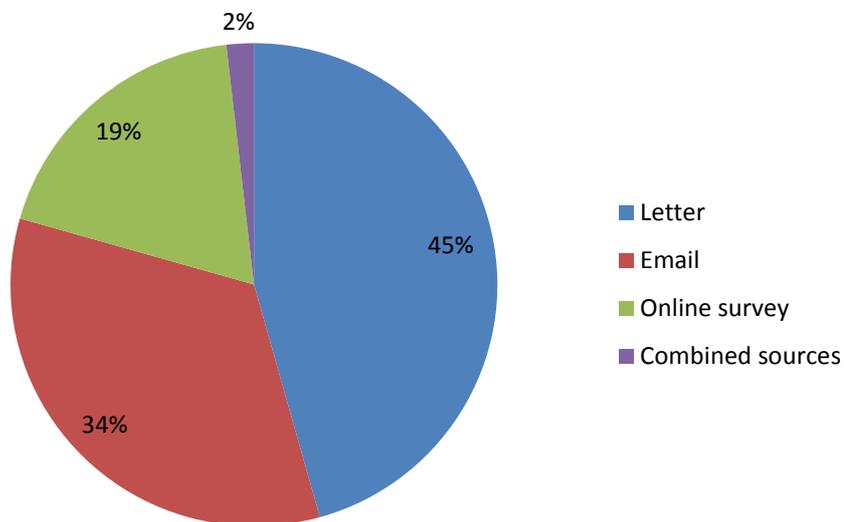
Status of respondents



Graph 3: Pie chart showing the status of the respondents

1.3.1 The largest number of comments were received by letters posted or handed in, only 19% of the comments originated from the online survey (please see graph 4).

Source of comments received



Graph 4: Source of comments received.

2. Comments received on specific policies

2.1 Regarding comments on Policy HS2: Housing Site Allocations, the larger amount of individual responses received were in respect of four site allocations in Loveclough:

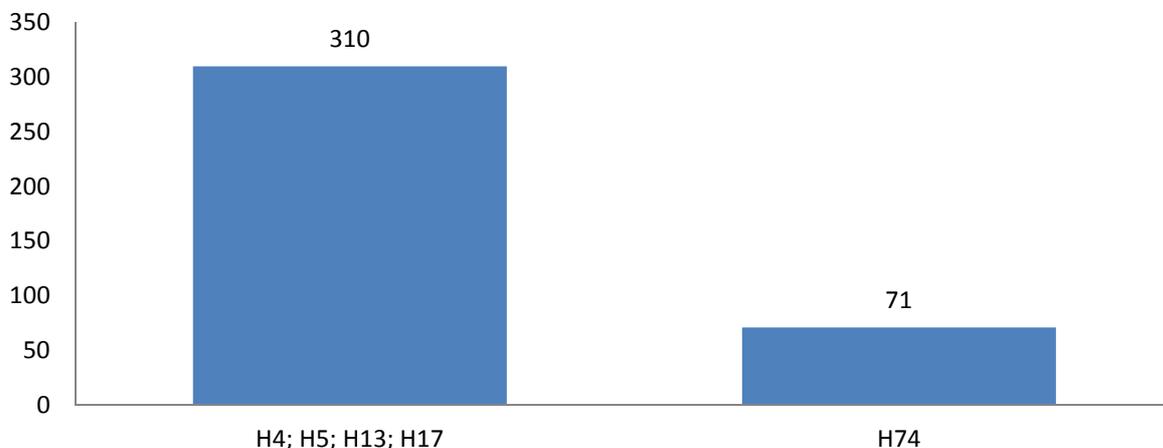
- H4 Turton Hollow, Goodshaw;
- H5 Swinshaw Hall, Lovecolough;
- H13 Loveclough Working Mens Club and land at rear extension. and
- H17 Land south of Goodshaw Fold Road)

Approximately 310 comments were received, all using the same template.

2.2 However, it is to be noted that the representation from Edenfield Community Neighbourhood Forum focussing on the site H72 Land west of Market Street, Edenfield, was supported by 1,213 people.

2.3 Another site attracting interest was H74 Grane Village, Helmshore (71 comments). Please see graph 5.

Sites attracting the majority of individual comments in relation to Policy HS2: Housing Site Allocations



Graph 5: Sites attracting the majority of the comments in relation to Policy HS2: Housing Site Allocations.

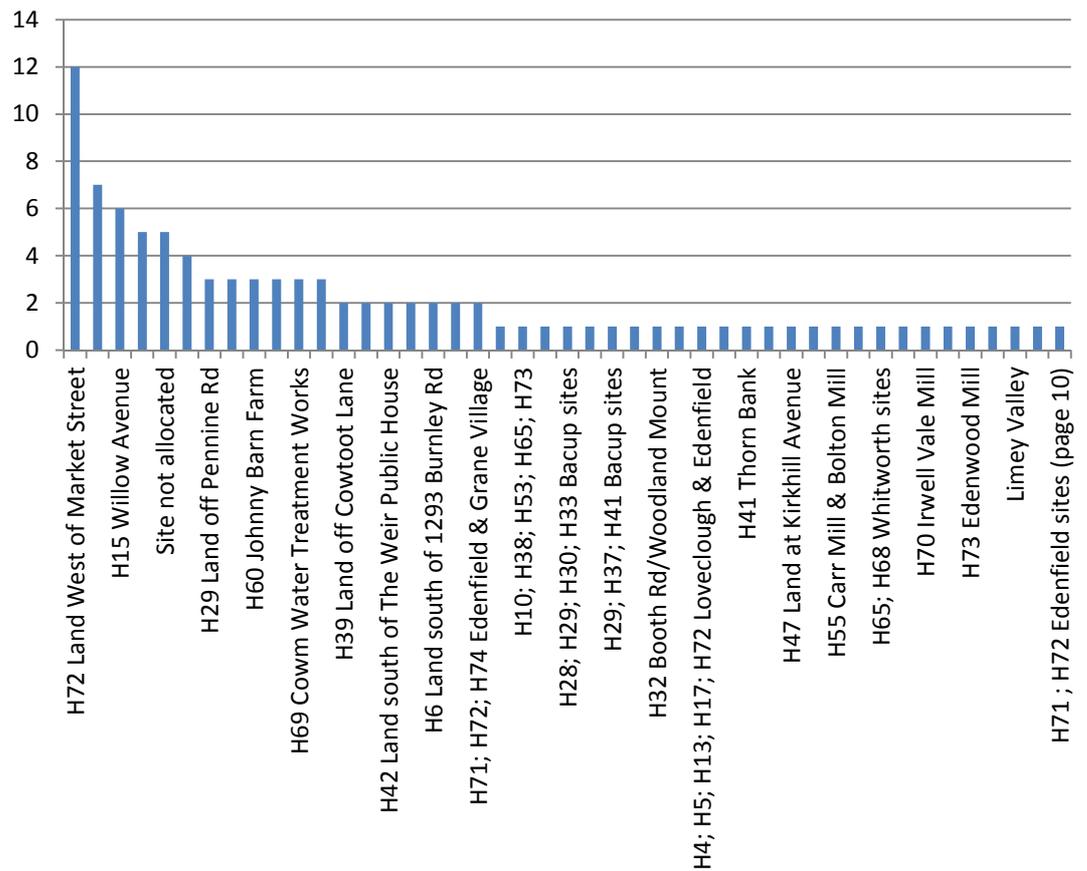
2.4 HPDA submitted a representation on behalf of 18 households about a boundary change in Newchurch, Rawtenstall.

2.5 A further representation has been made by Tom Whitehead acting on behalf of 16 community groups, in respect of Policy ENV7 on Wind Turbines.

2.6 Also, a representation from Pam Anthony objecting to the site H15 at Willow Avenue off Lime Tree Grove was supported by 12 households.

2.7 The graph 6 shows how many comments were received on other sites / topics in relation to Policy HS2: Housing Site Allocations.

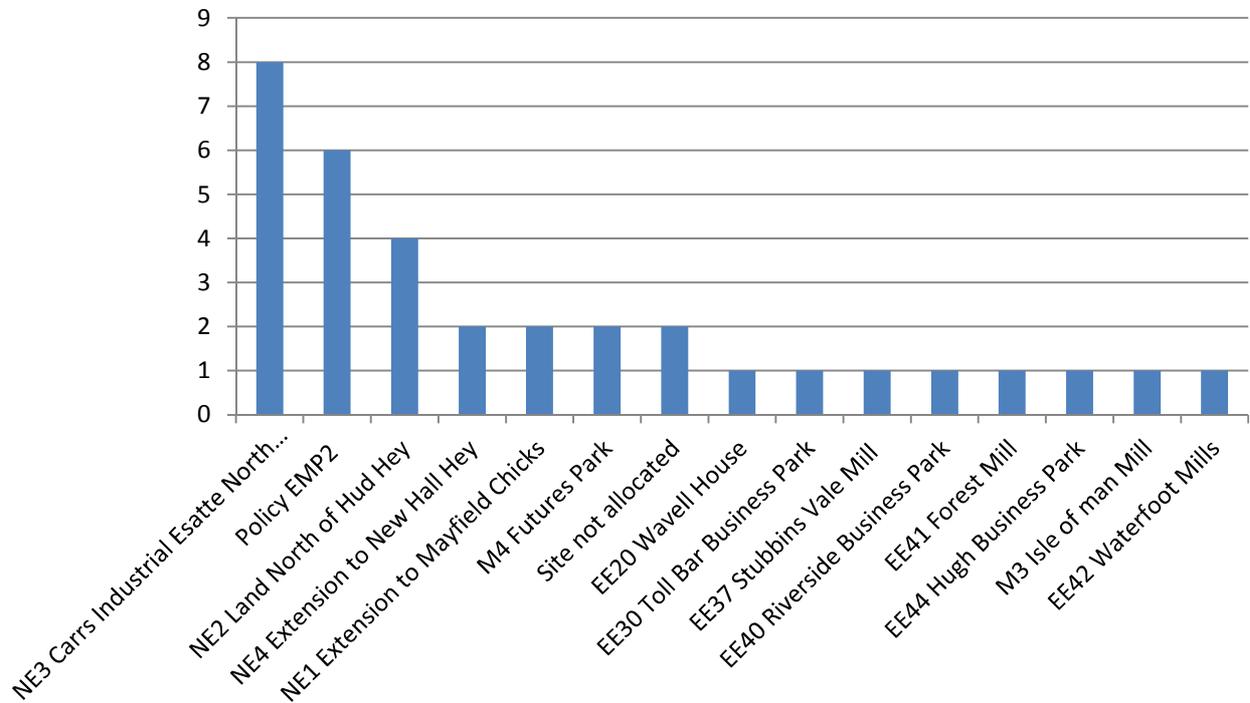
Reminder of specific sites / topics commented on in relation to Policy HS2: housing Site Allocations



Graph 6: Other sites and topics commented on in relation to policy HS2.

2.4 The comments received on specific sites relating to Policy EMP2: Employment Site Allocations are shown in graph 7.

Sites commented on in relation to Policy EMP2: Employment Site Allocations



Graph 7: Sites commented on in relation to Policy EMP2: Employment Site Allocations

2.5 The two main proposed employment sites attracting more than 3 comments are: NE3 Carrs Industrial Estate North Extension, Haslingden and NE2 Land North of Hud Hey, Haslingden.

3. Further information

3.1 The list of respondents, individual comments and supported documents submitted as part of this consultation can be viewed on the Council's website in the Planning and Building Control/Local Plan/Emerging Local Plan section.