Dear [Name]  

Burscough Parish Neighbourhood Plan Submission Version

Thank you for consulting with us on the above plan.

We have reviewed the document as submitted and wish to offer the following comments:-

Section 2 National Planning Policy Framework

Paragraph 2.1 makes reference to The NPPF (March 2012). It should be noted that the NPPF was revised on the 24 July 2018 along with the Planning Practice Guide. The Plan should be updated and amended (all reference to the 2012 NPPF and paragraphs quoted) to reflect the July 2018 revised NPPF.

Section 6 Infrastructure

Paragraph 6.1.21 states ‘Reference should be to BFG’s flooding database and the EAs surface water flooding maps when demonstrating capacity before connections are made to existing foul/surface water drainage system.’

We request that the following section is removed from the plan ‘and the EAs surface water flooding maps’ as the EAs surface water flood map is not a tool to be used to determine suitability of connection to the public sewer system.

Policy BPVE1: Visitor Economy

Point 3 – our previous comments in relation to including ‘enhancement of biodiversity’ have been included. However, in light of the publication of the Governments A Green Future: Our 25 Year Plan to Improve the Environment document published in 2018 the plan could have regard to the 25 Year Plans ambitions and make reference to embedding an ‘environmental net gain’ principle for development, including housing and infrastructure and also include biodiversity net gain which is reflected in the revised NPPF.
Additional comments


This Neighbourhood Plan could demonstrate how it meets the goals set out in the 25 Year Environment Plan of clean air; clean and plentiful water; thriving plants and wildlife; reduced risk of harm from environmental hazards; more sustainable and efficient use of resources; enhanced beauty, heritage and engagement with the natural environment.

Yours sincerely