

**Deadline to Have Your Say:
Before End of Tuesday 1st July**

Please support the exclusion of the Horsefield and fields to the south from being designated as housing sites in the Havant Borough Local Plan



Havant Borough Council has published its Draft Local Plan. This does *not* include the Horsefield and fields to the south as proposed housing sites. However, the Council must now convince the Government Inspector to accept this exclusion, as the Inspector has the authority to overturn this decision. This area has the site reference 'EM08 (Land South of Havant Road)'.

To help persuade the Government Inspector to accept the exclusion of the Horsefield and fields to the south from housing development, the Council needs written support from as many residents as possible as:

- Strong community backing will strengthen the Council's case to protect this land from development.
- If there is little public support, the Council may be pressured to reintroduce these fields into the Local Plan, especially if the landowner proposes a housing scheme.

The landowner, Markfield, has previously submitted proposals to build over 100 houses on these fields, and may attempt to do so again. In the past, these proposals have all been dismissed by the Council following strong representations from local residents against building on these fields.

Let's make sure we keep the fields free from housing, see next page on how

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What Can You Do?

It is important that you contact Havant Borough Council to register your feedback that you:

‘SUPPORT DISCOUNTING EM08 (LAND SOUTH OF THE HAVANT ROAD) FROM HOUSING DEVELOPMENT IN THE LOCAL PLAN’

The deadline for feedback is the end of Tuesday 1st July.

There are various ways you can give your feedback to Havant Borough Council:

- 1) You can get paper copies of the Draft Local Plan, response forms and pre-paid envelopes from libraries & community centres.**

OR

- 2) You can send an email to policy.design@havant.gov.uk.**

OR

- 3) You can post your views to Havant Borough Council, Public Service Plaza, Civic Centre Road, Havant PO9 2AX.**

OR

- 4) You can contact Customer Services at 023 9244 6019 and ask to give your feedback to the Local Plan.**

OR

- 5) You can find more information on the HBC web-site at [Building a Better Future Plan | Havant Borough Council](#) and provide feedback online at [Building a Better Future Plan - Consultation 2025](#).**

ALREADY SUBMITTED? – if you have more comments, you can submit again.

Other things you may want to consider in your feedback:

- Havant Borough Council is under pressure to meet an unrealistic government target of 17,840 new houses. The Draft Local Plan only delivers 8,548. Supporting the Council’s view, that this target cannot be met because there is limited remaining suitable land, will help strengthen their case and avoid the Government Inspector overruling site exclusions.
- The Horsefield and fields to the south lie within the Chichester Harbour National Landscape (previously AONB), which has afforded them a degree of protection, one of the key reasons they’ve remained undeveloped. To allow building could set a precedent to build in other parts of the National Landscape, including in Warblington and Langstone and on Hayling.