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Consultation response form PART A

Your details

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Your name

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Your address (optional)

Your email address *

Your phone number (optional)

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Keeping you updated:

Would you like to be notified of future progress on the Local Plan review? (* we will do this via email)

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Consultation response form PART B:

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Question number: 3.4

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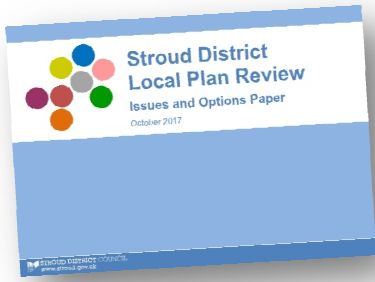
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I am not sure that I can think of a better method to the hierarchy based approach that is being used in the Local Plan Review. I am not convinced that the scale of development and the present number and type of tiers proposed is the best system, as settlements vary from each other in every case, so generalising in this way is not ideal.

However, in assuming that is what we have to work with, my main point is that I do consider that some of the settlements are in the wrong tier, especially within tier 3. I say this in particular reference to Horsley. The review document states that: ****Horsley has no significant retail role (there is a village shop), but provides a reasonable range of local services and facilities****

The village shop is though only a small community shop and is largely volunteer run and the services and facilities are extremely limited with virtually no employment options in what is dispersed and difficult to access village. The village and its various hamlets are having to live with what is already far too much traffic for its tiny, often single track roads, with many hills and blind corners, and the main thoroughfare is busy enough with through traffic without adding to the dangers already present from further traffic accessing from any new developments. The recent road closure and the ensuing rat runs emphasize this point, as does the Nupend Farm development, which has already demonstrated problems, such as parked vehicles, mud on the road and road works during the early development phase, well before the domestic traffic that will be present in the future, as car use will be essential.

Under your current system, Horsley should be no higher than Tier 4, but in truth, there is not capacity for any further building or development in central Horsley or the surrounding hamlets that make up the village.



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The site identified HOR001 (HORA) is very important to the village in terms of landscape value, and if developed would not only be damaging in that respect, but would only add to the already considerable dangers posed by vehicles accessing the main road on a hill, near to the school where too much traffic already drives too fast for the conditions (and the speed limit).

There should be no further developments or house building in Horsley or the hamlets of Horsley, as they are already struggling to cope with the pressures of modern society thrust upon tiny roads and countryside.