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Dear sir
Please find attached the representation form from Melsonby Parish Council regarding the Richmondshire Local Plan Core Strategy.The Parish Council feel that Melsonby should be considered a secondary service village and on those grounds be in receipt of more support. I trust that we have interpreted the strategy correctly.

If you have any questions regarding the representation please contact me.
Many thanks
Liz Donoghue (clerk)

Richmondshire District Council
Local Plan Core Strategy
Proposed Submission
August 2012
Representations Form

Please read the guidance notes before completing this form

This form comprises two parts:
Part A: Personal details
Part B: Your representation(s)

Both Part A and Part B of this form need to be completed in order for your representation(s) to be valid. Please complete a separate sheet (Part B) for each representation you wish to make. Further copies of this form can be downloaded from www.richmondshire.gov.uk/localplan.aspx . You do not need to fill out Part A for each representation, provided that all representations made are securely attached.

Your completed form must be returned to the following address to reach us no later than **4pm on Friday 14 September 2012:**

Planning Policy, Richmondshire District Council, Swale House, Frenchgate, Richmond, DL10 4JE

Alternatively, you can email: localplan@richmondshire.gov.uk and submit this form as an attachment.

Please note, all representations will be made available for public inspection on our website www.richmondshire.gov.uk/localplan.aspx with personal details (i.e. email address, telephone number and signature) removed.

Part A – Personal details

	Your Details	Agent's Details
Title	Mrs	
First name	Elizabeth	
Last name	Donoghue	
Job title (if applicable)	Parish Clerk	Parish Clerk
Work/organisation (if applicable)	Melsonby Parish Council	Melsonby Parish Council
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Part B - Your representation

Please use a separate sheet for each representation.

Name/Organisation	MELSONBY PARISH COUNCIL

Q1.To which part of the Core Strategy Proposed Submission Document does this representation relate? (Spatial Principle, Sub Area Strategy or Core Policy)	
Policy number (e.g. SP2, CRSS or CP8)	SP2
Page/paragraph number(s)	P19, 3.1.19

<u>Please note:</u> Your representation should cover succinctly all the information, evidence and supporting information necessary to fully support/justify the representation and the suggested change, as there will not normally be a subsequent opportunity to make further representations. <u>After this stage, further submissions will be only at the request of the Inspector, based on the matters and issues he/she identifies for examination.</u>

Q2. Do you consider the Core Strategy Proposed Submission Document is…?						
(a) Legally compliant	Yes	x	No		Don't Know	
(b) Sound	Yes		No	x	Don't Know	
If you answered 'No' to (a) or (b) above, please continue to Q3, otherwise continue to Q5.						

Q3. **Do you consider the Core Strategy is unsound because it is not: (please refer to the guidance notes)**	
(a) Justified	x
(b) Effective	
(c) Consistent with national policy	
(d) Positively prepared	

Please give details of why you consider the Core Strategy Proposed Submission Document is not legally compliant or is unsound. Please be as precise as possible:

On page 19, section 3.1.19 Melsonby is classified as a primary service village identified as fulfilling the following criteria laid out in 3.1.18 "the availability of a good range of community facilities and services – a primary school, food shop, community hall and sport and recreation centres".

Melsonby has a primary school, but the village shop has remained closed since the tragic events in the property, and the community has no village hall. The only provision of a hall was the Methodist chapel rooms and that property was developed for private housing some years ago. The Parish Council are in the process of taking over the play parks and sports field, but until that happens, the sports field swings remain out of use since they were removed as the surface was unsafe, leaving the park useless.

The Parish Council feel that the decision to place Melsonby as a Primary service village is unsound, and the definition underpins the levels of support offered throughout the whole strategy.

(Continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

Q4. Please set out what change(s) you consider necessary to make the Core Strategy Proposed Submission Document legally compliant or sound, having regard to the test you have identified at Q3 where this relates to soundness. You need to say why this change will make the Core Strategy legally compliant or sound. It will be helpful if you are able to put forward your suggested revised wording of any policy or text. Please be as precise as possible:

The Parish Councillors have expressed that Melsonby should be considered a Secondary Service village and therefore get the justified support as outlined in CP7, CP8 and CP11 for secondary villages.

Alternatively if we are to be classed as a Primary village then we have an argument for further support to upgrade our facilities as identified in CP7, CP8 and CP11.

Section 3.4.11 p50 NRSS suggests some support for Melsonby but it is unclear what this will involve.

(Continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

Q5. If you wish to support the legal compliance or soundness of the Core Strategy Proposed Submission Document, please use the space below to set out your comments:

(Continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

If your representation is seeking a change to the Core Strategy Proposed Submission Document, do you consider it necessary to participate at the oral part of the examination?	
No, I do not wish to participate at the oral examination	x
Yes, I wish to participate at the oral examination	

If you have selected 'No', your representation(s) will still be considered by the independent Planning Inspector by way of written representations.

If you wish to participate at the oral part of the examination, please outline why you consider this to be necessary:

If you wish to be notified of future stages of plan preparation, please tick the appropriate box(es) below.			
Submission for Examination	**yes**	**Notify me by:** (please tick)	
Inspector's Report Publication	**yes**	Post	
Adoption	**yes**	Email	**x**

Please Note: The Inspector will determine the most appropriate procedure to adopt to hear those who have indicated that they wish to participate at the oral part of the examination.

Signature:	E.J. Donoghue
Date:	14.9.12