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<b>Soundness - Positively prepared?</b>	Sound
<b>Soundness - Justified?</b>	Sound
<b>Soundness - Consistent with national policy?</b>	Sound
<b>Soundness - Effective?</b>	Sound
<b>Compliance - Legally compliant?</b>	Yes
<b>Compliance - In accordance with the Duty to Cooperate?</b>	Yes
<b>Redacted modification - Please set out the modification(s) you consider necessary to make this section of the plan legally compliant and sound, in respect of any legal compliance or soundness matters you have identified above.</b>	<p>As there doesn't appear to be a dedicated comments section I have used this space to provide my feedback.</p> <p>The Green Belt Section 59</p> <p>The Green Belt areas in and around Standish must be strongly and effectively protected from development. Quoting from the 'Greener Spaces' section within Places for Everyone, there are some excellent and 100% accurate statements around retaining green space (I have listed them below for reference).</p> <p>There has been way too much development in and around Standish over the past few years, a lot of which has taken up green space. It is fast becoming a sprawling metropolis that, if allowed to continue, will start to drive people away rather than being an attractive place to live. Any push back on the Plan's boundaries and highlighted green belt areas must be resisted for the good of the Community and environment.</p> <p>1. Valuing the special qualities and key sensitivities of our landscapes (recognising importance of an area's appearance to the sense of place held by those who live in or visit it);</p> <p>2. Seeking to protect and enhance green and blue infrastructure (the wider network of green (and blue) features which make a huge contribution to quality of life, promote good mental and physical health, create liveable places and support economic growth);</p>

3. Seeking an overall enhancement of biodiversity and geodiversity (the living organisms and ground beneath our feet which underpin the value of the natural environment and its ability to provide a wide range of important benefits, including supporting human health and quality of life);
4. Seeking to maintain a Green Belt (which plays an important role in restricting unplanned development in a conurbation with a complex urban form, ensuring that its cities, towns and smaller settlements retain their identity)