

# South Oxfordshire Local Plan 2034

## Publication Version

### Representation Form

**Please return by 5pm on Monday 18 February 2019 to:** Planning Policy, South Oxfordshire District Council, 135 Eastern Avenue, Milton Park, Milton, Abingdon, OX14 4SB or email it to [planning.policy@southoxon.gov.uk](mailto:planning.policy@southoxon.gov.uk)

This form has two parts:

**Part A** – contact details

**Part B** – your comments / participation at oral examination

## Part A

Are you responding as an: (please tick)

Agent

Business or organisation

Individual

Due to the plan-making process including an independent examination, a name and contact details are required for your comments to be considered. If you are acting on behalf of another organisation, please provide their details in column one and your company name and contact details in column two.

	1. Personal Details	2. Agent Details (if applicable)
Title	<input type="text" value="Miss"/>	<input type="text" value="Not applicable"/>
Full Name	<input type="text" value="Nicola Baird"/>	<input type="text"/>
Job Title (where relevant)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Organisation (where relevant)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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Postal Town	<input type="text" value="██████████"/>	<input type="text"/>
Postcode	<input type="text" value="██████████"/>	<input type="text"/>
Telephone Number	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Email Address	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

For information on **sharing your details**: please see page 3

## Part B – Please use a separate sheet for each representation

For comments on the Local Plan, please provide the paragraph or policy to which your comments relates.

If you wish to comment on one of the evidence documents or the policies maps, please state the document title as well as the paragraph or policy reference.

Document / Policy / Paragraph:

STRAT 9

Do you consider the Local Plan and supporting documents:

(1) are legally compliant

Yes

No

Don't know

(2) are sound

Yes

No

Don't know

(3) comply with the Duty to Cooperate

Yes

No

Don't know

Please provide further information in relation to the previous question. e.g. why you do or do not consider the Local Plan to be legally compliant or sound.

It is not compliant with Government planning policy which affords strong protection of Green Belt. (A whole chapter of the National Planning Policy Framework, July 2018 is devoted to Protecting Green Belt) yet SODC's Plan proposes altering Green Belt boundaries for 6 out of its 7 strategic sites, a total of 11,400 houses in Green Belt, with Culham (STRAT 9) the largest development in the whole of South Oxfordshire, a new town of 3,500 houses (c.8000 people)

Boundaries to Green Belt can only be changed if there are 'exceptional circumstances', 'fully evidenced and justified' and as a last resort. There are no 'exceptional circumstances' and evidence supplied in SODC documents lacks due analysis and research.

Housing need numbers 'far exceed 'need (in SODC's own words) and admit to 'significant uncertainty' (SODC's own words) about the so-called 'unmet need' of Oxford City.

The Plan is not sound, positively prepared, justified or deliverable and was rushed through debate by councillors in the space of one week immediately before Christmas with key documents not made freely available. Councillors were 'whipped' to agree the Plan.

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Please set out any modifications you consider necessary to make the Local Plan legally compliant or sound, having regard to your comments above. (NB - any non-compliance with the duty to co-operate is incapable of modification at examination).

It will be helpful if you could put forward your suggested wording of any policy or text as precisely as possible.

The whole plan is so unsound. STRAT 9 (Culham) should be removed entirely from the Plan. A new town just a mile from Abingdon and surrounded by the River Thames is not sustainable or justified and there are no 'exceptional circumstances'.

Would you like to participate at the oral part of the examination, which takes place as part of the examination process? \*

(Continue on page 4 if necessary)

Yes

No

\* **Please note:** the inspector will determine the most appropriate procedure to hear those who have indicated that they wish to participate at the public hearing.

Signature:

(this can be electronic)

Date:

14/02/19

### Sharing your personal details

All comments will be submitted in full to the Secretary of State alongside a submission version of the Local Plan. The Secretary of State will appoint an independent planning inspector, who will carry out an examination of the plan.

Your name, contact details and comments will also be shared with the planning inspector and a programme officer, who will act as a point of contact between the council, inspector and respondents. This means that you will be contacted by the programme officer (and where necessary the council) with updates on the Local Plan. This is required by Regulation 22 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 and Section 20 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.

We have received assurance that the data passed to the planning inspector and programme officer will be kept securely and not used for any other purpose. The inspector and programme officer will retain the data up to six months after the plan has been adopted. South Oxfordshire District Council will hold the data for six years after the plan has been adopted.

Comments submitted by individuals will be published on our website alongside their name only. No other contact details will be published. Comments submitted by businesses and/or organisations will be published on our website including contact details. If you would like to know more about how we use and store your data, please visit

[www.southoxon.gov.uk/dataprotection](http://www.southoxon.gov.uk/dataprotection)

### Future contact preferences

As explained in our data protection statement, in line with statutory regulations you will be contacted by the programme officer (and where necessary the council) with relevant updates on the Local Plan. South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Councils have a shared planning policy database. If you would like to be added to our database to receive updates on other planning policy consultations, please tick the relevant district box(es):

- I would like to be added to the database to receive planning policy updates for South Oxfordshire

- I would also like to be added to the database to receive planning policy updates for Vale of White Horse

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**Further comment:** Please use this space to provide further comment on the relevant questions in this form. **You must state which question your comment relates to.**

**Alternative formats of this form are available on request.** Please email [planning.policy@southoxon.gov.uk](mailto:planning.policy@southoxon.gov.uk) or call 01235 422600 (Text phone users add 18001 before you dial).

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