

South Oxfordshire Local Plan 2034

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Q1. Are you responding as an:

Individual

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Q2. Due to the plan-making process including an independent examination, a name and means of contact is required for your comments to be considered:

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Q5. For comments on the Local Plan, please provide the paragraph or policy to which your comments relates. You can view a list of policies here. 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: H4 Para 5.19-30 & Table 5f

Q6. Do you consider the Local Plan and supporting documents:

	Yes	No	Don't know	Not answered (OPTION HIDDEN FROM LIVE SURVEY)
are legally compliant?		X		
are sound?		X		
comply with the Duty to Co-operate?			X	

Q7. 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.

Goring is in the process of producing a Neighbourhood Plan, which is currently under review by the Inspector. The Plan has shown unequivocally, supported by ample evidence, that it is not possible to find sites to build more than approximately 94 new houses. This is because of the constraints of flooding and AONBs. This is already less than the original figure of 140 and an increase to a target figure of 233 is unrealistic. In any case, if the Neighbourhood Plan is accepted by the village, this will determine future new housing in the village, so that any other SODC targets will be irrelevant.

Q8. 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.

Because of the proximity of the River Thames and Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty, there are not enough suitable sites in Goring to accommodate more than about 94 new houses. In addition, Goring is in the process of finalising a Neighbourhood Plan which will determine the number of houses to be built. These two facts make any additional housing quota for Goring both impossible to fulfil and irrelevant.

Q10. Would you like to participate at the oral part of the examination, which takes place as part of the examination process?

No

Q11. Would you like to comment on another policy or paragraph?

Yes

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Document / Policy / Paragraph: STRAT 1

Q13. Do you consider the Local Plan and supporting documents:

	Yes	No	Don't know	Not answered (OPTION HIDDEN FROM LIVE SURVEY)
are legally compliant?			X	
are sound?		X		
comply with the Duty to Co-operate?			X	

Q14. 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.

There is no need for a new Plan as the number of houses required is already met in the (adopted) 2026 Local Plan.
The only reason for suggesting this unsustainable and unjustifiable addition to the number of houses to be built appears to be the desire to obtain a £M215 grant. It is totally unacceptable to jeopardise the future of the District in this way.
Much of this housing would be in the Green Belt, which flies in the face of NPPF policy and this raises the fear that sensitive sites will be made available to developers, over and above the actual land required, allowing developers to 'cherry pick' sites to provide them with the greatest profit at the expense of the environment.
In this area, 'affordable housing' is beyond the means of many people and their needs can only be met by the building of more social housing.

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The District's actual housing need is effectively met within the numbers in the already adopted 2026 Local Plan, so there is no urgent requirement for a new Plan now at all, or any apparent public benefit from producing one.

Q17. Would you like to participate at the oral part of the examination, which takes place as part of the examination process?

No

Q18. Would you like to comment on another policy or paragraph?

Yes

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Document / Policy / Paragraph: STRAT 2

Q20. Do you consider the Local Plan and supporting documents:

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are legally compliant?			X	
are sound?		X		
comply with the Duty to Co-operate?			X	

Q21. 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.

Oxford needs only 15,000 new houses (as evidenced by new SHMA forecast).

Oxford's Local Plan is currently being examined, and any plans for new housing should be postponed until this has been adopted.

More housing could be produced per acre if some flats were built, instead of houses.

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The allocation for Oxford's 'unmet need' should be removed from the plan. This could be re-assessed when Oxford City has developed and agreed its own plan.

Q24. Would you like to participate at the oral part of the examination, which takes place as part of the examination process?

No

Q25. Would you like to comment on another policy or paragraph?

No