

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: Strat 13 LP 2034

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.

Lacking Legal compliance:

SODC has not done the assessments required of it in relation to transport, air quality, human health, ecology, flood risk, trees, landscape, views, heritage and archaeology.

SODC intends to place the burden of these assessments on the developer which creates a conflict of interest and deprives the council and the public of truly objective assessments.

It is not adequately shown that alternatives which do not sacrifice Green Belt or would be more appropriate are unavailable.

Not sound:

The transport analysis and proposals are so vague and casual that it is clear that the plan is unsound on this aspect which is a crucial one. Major issues arise in relation to both a) access from the site to Oxford centres of employment or commerce and b) traffic using the A40/ Northern ring road to access or bypass Oxford.

In the case of the former the ring road remains a major barrier. Priority to bus and cycles only goes so far. Buses remain slow and cycling is dangerous and does not suit everyone. Growing the town immediately outside the ring road (rather than more even development in the county and use of rail lines into down) creates the need for a major rethink of and investment in intra-city transport infrastructure – one which the development alone is unlikely to be able to finance.

The increased use of the A40 and ring road for commuter traffic and the idea of a link road from the A40 to the crematorium and on through to the Elsfield junction call into question the viability of supporting A40 East-West traffic along the corridor – again probably implying the need for more investment than the development can support.

The number of houses SODC is offering to build on behalf of Oxford City Council is much higher than is necessary. A recalculation based on SHMA 2018 and the conversion of employment sites in Oxford to mixed use - with no loss of business rates revenue –would radically reduce the need for housing outside of OCC boundaries.

The area of Greenbelt is of very high value to local residents. In particular the footpath running North from Barton through open countryside provides an accessible and enjoyable environment for exercise which I and my husband often use.

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

Yes

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

No

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Q354. 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) below:

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