

South Oxfordshire Local Plan 2034

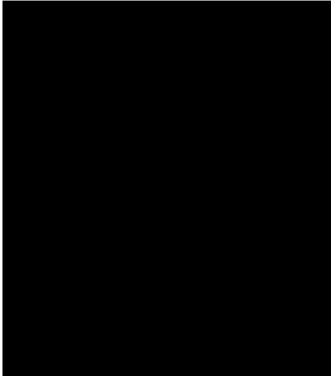
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Q1. Are you responding as an:

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: Strategy 1 Overall Strategy

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.

The plan is hugely different to that which was prepared in 2017/18 which went through a full consultation and evaluation.

This plan appears to be motivated by small minded political expediency and the use of legal exclusions prevent a thorough public consultation.

Section 19 has been employed to meet a funding deadline and avoid public consultation. This is not in the public interest and is questionable from a legal standpoint.

As has been stated in numerous independent studies the extent of the growth is both excessive and damaging using SHMA estimates which have been discredited as inaccurate and out of date.

The previous plan largely protected the Green Belt. This plan proposes huge swaths of Green Belt should be made over to housing, thereby destroying the Countryside for ever and flies in the face of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF; 2018).

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.

I would want this plan withdrawn. A proper plan investigating sensible housing needs and their impact on local infrastructure need to be assessed and Brough forward for public consultation under Section 18

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?

Yes

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Document / Policy / Paragraph: Strategy 2 Need for New Development

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.

See my response to Strat1 above.

Oxford City has not yet had its plan examined by the Planning Inspector and therefore there is no sound figure for "unmet need" . Oxford City should be prioritising land for Housing rather than employment...it is actually impossible to get into Oxford from a transport perspective...trying to suggest that more Buisness should be based in Oxford is seriously ridiculous....build houses and ask people to use public transport to leave for employment.

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Remove Oxford unmet need from this plan and reassess when Oxford has developed and agreed its own plan.

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Document / Policy / Paragraph: Strat 5 - Housing Density

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.

There are clearly already socio economic issues in and around the Oxford area .

This plan seeks to build at a density of 70 dwellings per hectare but has not taken any advice, guidance or input from the general public in the surroundings areas. There is no evidence presented that this housing density will help to "regenerate" these areas - in fact it could well be surmised that the development will have an opposite effect and exacerbate the problems and cost already born by these areas.

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The present plan should be withdrawn and a proper assessment of housing needs be properly calculated alongside a detailed review of infrastructure and transport needs. Once complete that plan should be open to public consultation under Section 18.

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Document / Policy / Paragraph: Strat 6 - Green Belt

Q27. Do you consider the Local Plan and supporting documents:

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Q28. 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.

This plan calls for 7 Green Belt sites to be developed...a huge change from the Plan presented, widely consulted and agreed in 2017/18.

National Planning Policy requires Councils to only release Green Belt land if all other options have been explored and evaluated and if no other land is available.

All the suggested sites in this plan fall at the first hurdle - the plan has not been constructed on sound principles as the actual housing need is based on spurious, inaccurate and out of date SHMA numbers.

This plan suggests building at the highest density immediately to the South and East of the City resulting in unrestricted sprawl and completely destroying the integrity of the Baldons and Garsington which will be swallowed up in this morass of urbanisation. These villages have existed since the 16th Century - they will be destroyed and lost forever because of a money grabbing political decision.

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This plan should be withdrawn until sensible, thought through and evidence based housing needs can be established.

At that point the previous sites in the 2017/18 Plan should be reevaluated for suitability as urban sprawl cannot be allowed to encroach into the green spaces surrounding Oxford City.

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Document / Policy / Paragraph: Strategy 11 - Land south of Grenoble Road

Q34. Do you consider the Local Plan and supporting documents:

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comply with the Duty to Co-operate?			X	

Q35. 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.

This is an unsound plan from 3 aspects:

- the plan assumes that building 4700 houses next to Blackbird Leys will result in the encourage people to use the single access road through the Baldons as an alternate routeregeneration of these areas...there is no evidence to back up this supposition. In fat t no consultation has taken place with the residents of Blackbird Leys to understand their views. It is highly likely that the destruction of their local Green Belt and the ability to walk in farmland would be met with significant objections.

- the transport infrasture south of the City involving the A4074 is already a farce. Building a further 4700 houses, a significant number of whom will want to access the ring road at Heyford Hill just does not make sense. In addition it is likely to involve a significant number trying to use the single lane road through the Baldons as a "rat run" endangering local residents and animals.

- One of the clearly stated aims of the Green Belt is to stop neighbouring villages and towns merging into one another . This proposal clearly flies in the face of that requirement - 16th Centruy villages will become a district of Oxford City and lost to our nation for all time.

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The land south of Grernob le road should be withdrawn form the Plan.

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Document / Policy / Paragraph: TRans 3

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This Plan is such a change from the 2017/18 plan it has been rushed through with no proper consideration of increasing traffic implications of the development.

It is simply a small minded political money grab that needs to be thrown out as being totally unsound and simply not justified based on any of the evidence currently available.

The Plan talks about Park and Ride, cycle and walking paths and bus routes without any discussion or suggestions on how to solve the current chronic transport issues around the South of Oxford.

I have already referred to the issues on the A4074 in my answer to Strt 11 - this is just a narrow minded ridiculous Plan put up for a short term funding opportunity.

It is very disappointing that we do not have local politicians capable of any sort of strategic or big picture thinking. There is already talk of an Oxford to Cambridge Expressway, another White Elephant in the making...but this plan makes only passing reference to it...ridiculaous. Its route could significantly change the whole plan.

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The plan needs to be withdrawn until there is some sensible joined up thinking on transport and infrasture - at the moment there is neither...and no funding for it either.

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Document / Policy / Paragraph: Trans 4

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Para 7.23 states that as new developments come forward there will need to be a more detailed look at specific transport and access impacts.

This is clearly not joined up thinking in regards to the Green Belt.

Detailed analysis of both transport and environmental impacts needs to be completed BEFORE such a plan is brought forward. The current Plan is unsound - this has simply not happened.

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Transport assessments must be undertaken before any consideration of developments on the edge of the City can be considered and the Green Belt status irrevocably changed.

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Document / Policy / Paragraph: TRANS1 Oxford to Cambridge Expressway

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This Plan completely fails to consider the massive impact that this road could potentially have on South Oxfordshire destroying miles and miles of Green Belt with concrete.

There does not appear to have been any cognisance of the Central Government work in this area - yet another example of a lack of joined up thinking making the Plan and its adoption totally unsound and illegal.

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The PLKan should be withdrawn until there is a clear decision on the Oxford to Cambridge Expressway

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Yes

Q60. 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:

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