

# South Oxfordshire Local Plan 2034

## Page 3: Part A - contact details

Q1. Are you responding as an:

Individual

## Page 4: Individual contact details

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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## Page 7: Part B - your comments

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:** Policy STRAT9: Land adjacent to Culham Science Centre

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 Local Plan is based upon from the 2014 Strategic Housing Market Assessment which the leader of the council has stated is based on out of date and incorrect data. The council is also planning a surplus on top of figures which the data is known to exceed. There is no legal or sound justification to remove 220 hectares of Green Belt, which was designated to prevent ribbon development and prevent urban sprawl. This proposal does not provide any "exceptional circumstances" which could be highlighted to justify the reclassification and subsequent development. Should the development go ahead, inevitable traffic gridlock will certainly exceed localised air pollution levels, particularly in areas such as Tollgate Road where traffic is already at a standstill EVERY day.

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.

STRAT9 should be removed from the Local Plan entirely as it is neither necessary nor sustainable. Green Belt land is designed to prevent urban sprawl and should not be declassified to allow the land to be used for housing or development. Green Belt land should not be sacrificed to fund a new river crossing, which would only increase traffic onto the A415 and routes in and around Abingdon.

Q9. Please upload any supporting documents below:

- File: Local Plan Objection v2.docx - [Download](#)

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?

No

## Page 106: Future contact preferences

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

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