

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: H9 Affordable Housing

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.

I don't know whether it is legally compliant.

It is not sound as it relies far too much on out of date data and is not compliant with the new NPPF
It would be compliant with the Duty to co-operate (with Oxford City) if it had up to date figures on Oxford City's housing requirements

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.

What South Oxfordshire really needs is more affordable housing. (rather than lots of expensive new homes)

Towns and villages had council houses provided throughout the last 100 years or so but many of these are now in private hands.

Smaller villages in particular do not get applications for sites of 10 or more houses but they still need affordable housing. Unless they go through the long and tortuous procedure of finding and agreeing an exception site, they just do not get new affordable housing. This unbalances the population in these smaller villages So,

H9 needs editing to say that

1 The Council will seek affordable housing contributions in accordance with the criteria set out below:

50% on all sites with a net gain of 6 or more dwellings

(the other 2 bullet points in 1 will not now be needed)

2 Omit point i). If the site is not viable don't build it.

Alter ii) to read

ii) In cases where the 50% calculation provides a part dwelling, a financial contribution will be sought equivalent to that part residential unit.

Assuming that SODC has evidence for part iii) the rest of the policy can stay as it is.

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