

# South Oxfordshire Local Plan 2034

## Publication Version Representation Form

**Please return by 5pm on Monday 18 February 2019 to:** Planning Policy, South Oxfordshire District Council, 135 Eastern Avenue, Milton Park, Milton, Abingdon, OX14 4SB or email it to [planning.policy@southoxon.gov.uk](mailto:planning.policy@southoxon.gov.uk)

This form has two parts:

**Part A** – contact details

**Part B** – your comments / participation at oral examination

### Part A

Are you responding as an: (please tick)

Agent

Business or organisation

Individual

Due to the plan-making process including an independent examination, a name and contact details are required for your comments to be considered. If you are acting on behalf of another organisation, please provide their details in column one and your company name and contact details in column two.

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## Part B – Please use a separate sheet for each representation

For comments on the Local Plan, please provide the paragraph or policy to which your comments relates.

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:

TRANS 1A Ox-Cam Expressway

Do you consider the Local Plan and supporting documents:

(1) are legally compliant

Yes

No

Don't know

(2) are sound

Yes

No

Don't know

(3) comply with the Duty to Cooperate

Yes

No

Don't know

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.

### **POLICY TRANS 1- Supporting Strategic Transport Investment**

The Oxford-Cambridge growth corridor proposals have not been subject to public consultation, environmental assessment or parliamentary scrutiny.

It is a matter of extreme concern that South Oxfordshire District Council should be pressing ahead as if these matters are all a given consideration, without setting out the transformational impacts that these proposals would have or giving the public an opportunity to comment.

For example, the potential magnitude of the development that the Expressway is intended to unlock is not indicated, nor that the South Oxfordshire Green Belt seems to be the County Council's preferred target area, and very probably the National Infrastructure Commission's too. Not only would that mean a new ten mile "motorway" through presently open countryside South of Oxford, but the obligation to provide the 100,000 houses that go with it.

It is significant to the soundness of the plan because it would be far and away the most important event in the plan period, with the greatest impact, and, depending on its route, would not only impose a massive further housing target but also affect the site allocations that have been made in the Plan without (presumably) taking it into account.

It is significant to all of us because it would devastate the Green Belt South of Oxford and the open countryside and the villages within it – including Chalgrove, and Haseley/Harrington which would be likely targets for some of the 100,000 houses – and change the character of the area for ever. Even if it was not routed South of Oxford, but North up an upgraded A34, the West of the District, Didcot, Culham, Clifton Hampden would still be in the firing line.

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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.

To be sound, the Plan needs to reveal as much as is known about the magnitude and routing of this new un-voted for growth plan, and its potential impact on the area and the Plan itself.

The Expressway plan is not justified in economic or sustainability grounds. There needs to be a substantial piece of work to justify the need for this substantial piece of infrastructure, including a Public Enquiry (not just on the routes but on the principle) to fully engage and inform the local, and national, population. When this process is complete the Local Plan should then, if necessary, fully integrate the Expressway into the spatial and development plans for the District.

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

Yes

No

\* **Please note:** the inspector will determine the most appropriate procedure to hear those who have indicated that they wish to participate at the public hearing.

Signature:

(this can be electronic)

Date:

15.2.19

### Sharing your personal details

All comments will be submitted in full to the Secretary of State alongside a submission version of the Local Plan. The Secretary of State will appoint an independent planning inspector, who will carry out an examination of the plan.

Your name, contact details and comments will also be shared with the planning inspector and a programme officer, who will act as a point of contact between the council, inspector and respondents. This means that you will be contacted by the programme officer (and where necessary the council) with updates on the Local Plan. This is required by Regulation 22 of

the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 and Section 20 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.

We have received assurance that the data passed to the planning inspector and programme officer will be kept securely and not used for any other purpose. The inspector and programme officer will retain the data up to six months after the plan has been adopted. South Oxfordshire District Council will hold the data for six years after the plan has been adopted.

Comments submitted by individuals will be published on our website alongside their name only. No other contact details will be published. Comments submitted by businesses and/or organisations will be published on our website including contact details. If you would like to know more about how we use and store your data, please visit [www.southoxon.gov.uk/dataprotection](http://www.southoxon.gov.uk/dataprotection)

### Future contact preferences

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):

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

**Further comment:** Please use this space to provide further comment on the relevant questions in this form. **You must state which question your comment relates to.**

**Alternative formats of this form are available on request.** Please email [planning.policy@southoxon.gov.uk](mailto:planning.policy@southoxon.gov.uk) or call 01235 422600 (Text phone users add 18001 before you dial).

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