

# 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.

	1. Personal Details	2. Agent Details (if applicable)
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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 relate.

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

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.

This site is in the Green Belt and should not be developed.

For all Green Belt areas around Oxford the Oxford City Local Plan background paper on transport - [https://www.oxford.gov.uk/downloads/file/2637/54\\_transport](https://www.oxford.gov.uk/downloads/file/2637/54_transport) shows that car transport is high in these areas “The 2011 Census figures show that the highest relative ratios of private motorised transport trips compared to those made by sustainable modes for travelling to work are in Cowley, Littlemore and North Oxford. The proportion of car journeys made varies depending on the part of Oxford that is the end destination. As the table in Figure 5.4.3 below shows, the Eastern Arc attracts more car journeys, and a higher proportion of car journeys, than the city centre or North Oxford. The document also shows a low % of people cycle to work from these areas.

It is unlikely that any of the proposed public transport links will make any difference, as the end destinations of such services are limited. This site proposes a significant amount of infrastructure requirements. Para 4.115 states “Road capacity to the east of Oxford is already under significant pressure, particularly along the A40 and the Headington roundabout. There is currently insufficient road capacity to support new, direct road access between the site and the A40 west of the Barton Park site.” The Infrastructure Delivery Plan shows there are big gaps in funding specifically in relation to the road network and it is unlikely that the infrastructure required to support this site will be delivered. Problems with infrastructure delivery has been recognised in the National Audit Office Report – Planning for New Homes<sup>1</sup> which says,

Providing infrastructure to support new homes

16 The way infrastructure is funded is complex, involves several government departments and private developers and lacks cohesion and certainty.

18 The system to get contributions from developers towards the cost of infrastructure is not working effectively.

19 Developers can use the planning system to pay less in contributions than agreed.

This policy recognises the numerous national SSSIs & the site of Local Importance to Nature Conservation.

. .” and whilst STRAT 13 states “Proposals to develop Land North of Bayswater Brook will be expected to deliver: viii. a development that ensures that there will be no demonstrable negative recreational, hydrological or air quality impacts on the Sidlings Copse and College Pond SSSI.” It is naïve to think that housing development so close to these sites will not have a demonstrable negative impact on these sites. It has not considered the impact on wildlife from the number of dogs and cats that will frequent these important sites, nor the fertilizing effect their faeces will have on the soil (not all dog owners pick up dog waste, and even fewer pick it up when in a wood or walking in the fields – and since cats roam freely their faeces are never picked up). Development of this site would be contrary to policy ENV2.

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.nao.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/Planning-for-new-homes.pdf>

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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.

Removal from the local plan.

All green infrastructure & undeveloped sites to be washed over by Green Belt policies to deter from future development and to recognise their importance in meeting the need to protect the setting of Oxford.

No development to take place unless the required infrastructure can be guaranteed to be funded and provided in full.

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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 Feb 2019

## 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.**

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