

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

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 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:

STRAT 7

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.

The local plan does not appear to be sound for a number of reasons:

- 1) The local plan for larger villages indicates a growth target of 15% and Chalgrove is currently building 320 new homes, which is already an increase of about 30% of the 1,000 or so house currently in Chalgrove. It therefore does not seem sound judgement to disproportionately increase the size of Chalgrove even further by implementing STRAT 7
- 2) The transport infrastructure is not in place to cope with the increase in housing and the plans to improve the infrastructure are inadequate. The costs to upgrade the transport infrastructure to cope with the increase in traffic would be very high and purchase of land as well as development of the single track country lanes around Chalgrove would also be expensive. This applies to the single track country lanes and also (a) the main B480 road into Oxford which is currently only a B-road (b) the B480 road to Watlington, which is very narrow through Cuxham and elsewhere and which is the main route for traffic to London and (c) Hollandtide Road between Chalgrove and Benson which is a very narrow country road and which is the obvious route for traffic to Reading
- 3) Chalgrove currently has three roads into and out of the village. Two of these have weight bearing bridges so additional resource and cost would be needed to develop Chalgrove's roads to cope with further housing
- 4) I don't believe the 3,000 additional houses planned for Chalgrove is fully justified as there are already plenty of additional houses planned elsewhere for Oxford and South Oxfordshire. The local plan for additional housing in these areas would still meet its target were STRAT 7 to be removed from the plan.
- 5) Chalgrove is situated about 8 miles outside of Oxford and so houses in Chalgrove would not necessarily address the demand for houses in Oxford. A lot of people in Chalgrove work in London and Reading and I believe increasing the houses in Chalgrove would actually

encourage people from London, Reading and surrounding areas to move to Chalgrove, thereby not actually solving the issue of providing houses for the people of Oxford. What would actually happen is that Chalgrove would as likely become a feeder town for London and Reading rather than serve the needs of Oxford.

- 6) Martin Baker's lease on the airfield has many years to run. It is well known that as internationally respected company they have developed a sound and prosperous business. Martin Baker has publicly stated they do not wish to move and any compulsory purchase order to procure the land for housing may involve a long and costly legal battle. It doesn't make sound sense for this course of action to be pursued when there are more suitable housing development plans which can be progressed.
- 7) To have housing planned to be so close to the Martin Baker runway seems to be very dangerous and I believe a more suitable distance between the runway and any housing needs to be planned for.

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 me it seems a sensible option for the Council to remove STRAT 7 from the Local Plan. This would make the Local Plan a more sound proposition.

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: Date:
(this can be electronic)

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

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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