

# 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: Strat 13

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The plan is based on an out-of-date housing need assessment and should be rewritten, based on 2018 SHMA not 2014SMHA. Councils are required by government to protect green belt except in exceptional circumstances. This development is not exceptional as, when the correct housing needs assessment is used, there are sufficient brown field sites to accommodate unmet housing need within Oxford City boundaries.

A key part of the plan is the transport requirement. At least this would require creating a road through the development to link Bayswater Road and B4150. This would put excessive pressure on these already congested roads. Other requirements include possible redevelopment of the roundabout junction of Bayswater Road and A40 and a relief road to take traffic east of the roundabout to join the A40 east of Thornhill Park and Ride. The former would cause major disruption to traffic in and out of Oxford and to vehicles using the A40 as a bypass. The relief road would take traffic just north and east of Sandhills School meaning that the school children would be subject to additional traffic pollution, not just from the A40 as at present. The relief road would also encourage the use of 'rat runs' through adjacent villages as drivers attempt to find routes to avoid current traffic build up.

The plan states that LNBB would have minimal visual impact and avoid harm to Oxford's historic green setting; this is simply not true. The existing green belt boundary is the significant geographic feature of Bayswater Brook; the proposed new boundary follows some, but not all, field boundaries.

The proposed northern boundary of LNBB is in close proximity to the SSSIs at Sydlings Copse and College Pond. SODC's own Ecological Council identified in 2018 that the LNBB site would be a high-risk allocation for development having potential severe adverse effects on biodiversity by putting pressure on one of the few areas of heathland in Oxfordshire.

Flood risk, both to the road and housing, was not assessed and there is no flood alleviation in the costing of the road. Bayswater Road frequently floods to a significant extent at the point where it crosses Bayswater Brook.

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