

South Oxfordshire Local Plan 2011-2034: January 2019

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Due to the plan-making process including an independent examination, a name and contact details are required for your comments to be considered.

Do you consider the Local Plan and supporting documents:

1. are legally compliant Yes No X Don't know
2. are sound Yes No X Don't know
3. comply with the Duty to Cooperate Yes No X Don't know

<p>Document you are commenting on; with the paragraph number, Strat, or policy to which your comment relates: <i>(use a different row for each paragraph or policy you are commenting on; and add more rows as necessary).</i></p>	<p>I am Objecting / Supporting / or Commenting</p>	<p>My Comments</p>
<p>Strat 9</p>	<p>Objecting</p>	<p>The council’s published traveling times are achievable but only when there is no other traffic on the road. For example, it was stated that Abingdon was a 20-minute commute but at peak times it can take more than half an hour just to get from the Golden Balls roundabout to Clifton Hampden. To get to the Nuffield Orthopaedic Centre takes roughly 45 minutes for a 10-mile journey. It also only published data on traffic movements between 08:00 and 09:00 a period by which most people have already left for work.</p> <p>There is a total lack of infrastructure in Chalgrove to support a development of this size and the only retail space that it planned would equate to something the size of a Tesco Express / Sainsburys Local. This would prove inadequate for most families who would end up driving into Oxford for their weekly shop leading to further increases in traffic. This would be contrary to the Government’s policy of reducing congestion, pollution and CO2 emissions. This would be exacerbated by the lack of other facilities like cinema, theatre, sports centre, gymnasium and restaurants.</p> <p>Furthermore, Chalgrove is not on a major bus route and the nearest train station is about 10 miles distant. This development would, therefore, become wholly car based for transportation.</p> <p>Many people would commute using the M40 towards London and the road between Chalgrove and Watlington could not be widened because of listed buildings on one side and an important chalk stream on the other.</p>

		<p>Chalgrove has suffered flooding in the past and the current airfield lies above the level of the extant village. Building on the airfield would inevitably lead to increased surface run-off increasing the risk of further flooding.</p> <p>Martin Baker have stated that re-locating their operation in Chalgrove is not an option and building a housing development adjacent to an active runway is unsafe.</p>

<p>Please set out any modifications you consider necessary to make the Local Plan legally compliant or sound, having regard to your comments above.</p> <p>It will be helpful if you could put forward your suggested wording of any policy or text as precisely as possible.</p>	
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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 X

Signature: _____
(this can be electronic)

Date: 18 February 2019

Submission Deadline: 5pm on Monday 18th February 2019

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