

# 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: South Oxfordshire Local Plan 2034

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.**

I object to the proposed Local Plan 2034 on a number of grounds.

STRAT1 - This is not justified or consistent with national policy.

1. The plan calls for nearly 3 times the official government forecast requirement.
2. It will stretch local services and it proposes an unrealistic building rate.
3. It appears to be motivated principally by a desire to claim government money, which hinges on a commitment to build 100,000 houses in Oxfordshire (per Oxfordshire Housing & Growth Deal).
4. The already adopted 2026 Local Plan is adequate to address identified requirements so no new plan is needed.

STRAT2 - This is not justified or consistent with national policy.

5. We should not be making up for Oxford's unmet needs, a target in itself questionable, since it appears to be over-estimated.

STRAT5

6. We should be preserving the rural environment, maximising carbon storage and food production. We should certainly not be building on the Green Belt, which is totally unjustified in this context.
7. We should focus on higher density housing, not the executive style housing so commonly erected in this area, and contrary to local needs.

STRAT6 - This is not justified or consistent with national policy.

8. We should preserve our AONB's, not build on them.

TRANS1 - This is not justified.

9. I wonder how much the plan is influenced by the proposed Oxford – Cambridge Expressway, an unsound proposal? Its implications for the Green Belt could be catastrophic, especially in respect of the anticipated additional houses implied, yet the assumptions do not appear to be explicitly declared, or sufficiently revealed.

H4 & Table 5f - This is not justified or consistent with national policy.

10. In respect of housing in the larger villages in AONB areas, the plan should reflect local needs, not ad hoc allocations to meet general building targets.

H16 - This is not justified or consistent with national policy.

11. There should be proportionate restrictions on infill in villages and targets should reflect neighbourhood plans.

**Q8. 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.**

Stick with the already adopted 2026 Local Plan. There is no public benefit from replacing it with this new plan.

**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