

South Oxfordshire Local Plan 2034

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Q1. Are you responding as an:

Individual

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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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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 6

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 support altering the green belt boundary to include development in Grenoble Rd, Northfield etc as exceptional circumstances exist in my view.

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?

Yes

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Q12. 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 8, STRAT 9, STRAT 10

Q13. 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			

Q14. 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.

Focusing on development in and around the Science Vale is sensible and I support it to provide homes in areas of current and future employment with excellent transport links. I agree with the first element of STRAT 1 which supports the focus on new development in the Science Vale.

Q17. Would you like to participate at the oral part of the examination, which takes place as part of the examination process?

No

Q18. Would you like to comment on another policy or paragraph?

Yes

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Q19. 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 11, STRAT 12, STRAT 13

Q20. 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			

Q21. 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 am pleased this Plan focuses on sites that will meet Oxford's unmet housing needs unlike previous versions of the Plan. Sites need to be close to Oxford with sustainable ways of commuting into the city.

I agree exceptional circumstances exist to allow the inclusion of sites in the Green Belt. These 3 sites are very well placed to meet Oxford's unmet housing needs and provide easy, non-car based transport links to employment such as the BMW Mini plant, Oxford hospitals and train links to other employment centres.

Really good to see the inclusion of affordable homes.

Q24. Would you like to participate at the oral part of the examination, which takes place as part of the examination process?

No

Q25. Would you like to comment on another policy or paragraph?

Yes

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Q26. 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 7

Q27. 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			

Q28. 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.

STRAT 7 does not support a significant number of SODC's own strategic objectives. In particular:

Obj 1.2 (support rural communities and their way of life....). A new town at Chalgrove will completely change Chalgrove by tripling its size and destroying the current rural community.

Obj 1.4 (focus growth on Science Vale). A new town at Chalgrove is too far from the Science Vale with poor public transport options.

Obj 4.2 (make sustainable transport, walking and cycling a viable choice). The majority of residents of Chalgrove would have to travel to work by car due to the fact the site is too far from major centres of employment. Even with material investment, it's hard to envisage that public transport could become a viable option for the majority of residents. A site where owning and driving cars is a necessity in order to get to work is completely against SODC's sustainable transport objective.

Obj 5.2 (support development that respects scale and character of villages). Tripling the size of Chalgrove completely alters the character of the village by creating a town of immense scale compared to the current scale of the village.

Obj 6.1 (champion neighbourhood planning). The proposed development at Chalgrove contradicts their NDP. In addition the site is not supported by the current leaseholder hence there must be a risk that it cannot be delivered.

Obj 8.2 (minimise carbon emission and other pollution). A largely car based settlement will increase carbon emissions and pollution. It's also likely to exacerbate already concerning flooding issues.

I am very concerned about the cost of trying to deliver Chalgrove given the need to move the runway, build significant new roads and to alleviate flooding.

Q29. 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.

Remove STRAT 7 from the Plan. The other developments will provide the required housing in sites closer to Oxford.

Q31. Would you like to participate at the oral part of the examination, which takes place as part of the examination process?

No

Q32. Would you like to comment on another policy or paragraph?

No