

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:

Title Mr
Full name J Henry
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Job title (if relevant) -
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Postcode
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Email address

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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: 2034 plan

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 have no idea if the plan is legally compliant and sound but the fact that I'm being asked this question within this unpublicised representation process suggests that SODC does not have a full grasp on its responsibility to the residents of Oxfordshire. You cannot expect ordinary citizens to give 'tick box' judgement on the legal terms that govern the Council's planning procedures. This plan contains 300 pages of legal jargon and marketing speak and is as such almost impossible for an unqualified person to wade through.

I live within a short distance from Bayswater Brook and am interested in these plans but question whether it is legal for the building on the Green Belt as it is against the Government's National Planning Policy Framework. I dispute the idea that there's a justified local need to cut into the Green Belt at Bayswater Brook and fly in the face of Government policy when there are alternatives.

Furthermore as a local resident I believe this consultation has not been properly organised. It is taking place too quickly before the issues been raised or discussed within the communities around Oxford. There are many people in our village for example, who have no idea what SODC is planning.

There has been limited opportunity for Stanton St John Council to comment on the earlier stages in the development of this local plan. This is an extraordinary omission in the planning process regarding such an important development. SODC cannot claim to represent a community that it does not talk to or listen to.

I understand that this plan has been prepared to meet a set of housing targets although their validity as hard evidence has been questioned by several well qualified sources. Whatever the view on these targets this plan certainly does not address the local infrastructure needs that another 1000 plus homes at Bayswater Brook would necessitate so in my opinion it is not fit for purpose.

For the reasons expressed above I do not believe that the Local Plan is legally compliant or sound, neither does it comply with the Duty to Co-operate.

Yours Julian Henry

Q10. Would you like to participate at the oral part of the examination, which takes place as part of the examination process?

Yes

Q11. Would you like to comment on another policy or paragraph?

No

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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