

South Oxfordshire Local Plan 2034

Publication Version Representation Form

Please return by 5pm on Monday 18 February 2019 to: Planning Policy, South Oxfordshire District Council, 135 Eastern Avenue, Milton Park, Milton, Abingdon, OX14 4SB or email it to planning.policy@southoxon.gov.uk

This form has two parts:

Part A – contact details

Part B – your comments / participation at oral examination

Part A

Are you responding as an: (please tick)

Agent

 Business or organisation

 Individual

Due to the plan-making process including an independent examination, a name and contact details are required for your comments to be considered. If you are acting on behalf of another organisation, please provide their details in column one and your company name and contact details in column two.

	1. Personal Details	2. Agent Details (if applicable)
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For information on **sharing your details**: please see page 3

Part B – Please use a separate sheet for each representation

For comments on the Local Plan, please provide the paragraph or policy to which your comments relates.

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:

Local Plan 2034 Publication Version Paragraphs 2.3 and 2.4

Do you consider the Local Plan and supporting documents:

(1) are legally compliant

Yes

No

Don't know

(2) are sound

Yes

No

Don't know

(3) comply with the Duty to Cooperate

Yes

No

Don't know

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.

My comments are mainly confined to the develop at Chalgrove airfield.

With regard to the proposed development at Chalgrove Airfield categorising this development as 'Strategic' is not sound. The proposals to build houses in a relatively isolated area, without adequate proposals for how the major infrastructure facilities such as transportation, utility supplies, communications – telephone, high speed internet, etc will be provided can hardly be a thought out strategic proposal. This develop would be remote from the real strategic developments which could be much better supported by other developments.

From detailed review of the substantial documents supporting this plan the provision of this development at Chalgrove Airfield would mainly attract people from outside South Oxfordshire who would commute from there to work up or down the M40. This would be much easier for them than trying to commute to the South Oxfordshire development areas.

Note:1) At present it is easier to drive from Chalgrove to High Wycombe in the rush hour than it is to get into Oxford

Note 2) The local requirements for housing will almost certainly be met by the 300 houses already provisioned in the Chalgrove Plan

Note 3) - The proposed new facilities at Chalgrove Airfield would not significantly support the significant developments on the other parts of this plan

This can hardly be described as a strategic development for South Oxfordshire as it does not meet so many of the good fundamental principles that are laid down in other parts of 2034.

No consideration appears to have been given to the cost of this development - cost to the developer, to the local authorities, to the utility providers, to the local ratepayers etc. It would probably be illegal to commit all of these organisations to future expenses in regard of the development at Chalgrove Airfield by giving approval to this development when so many issues are poorly justified and this could hardly be termed Strategic, Note: Even if a utility organisation has a statutory responsibility to provide a utility to a site, it is the general public who meets the bill in the long term.

I do not believe that adequate notice has been taken of the opinions expressed at public consultation meetings and the returns issued by local parish councils. If they had, then the proposition to build an isolated community at Chalgrove Airfield, with totally inadequate infrastructure and too small to be a viable self- sustained town would not have been put forward. I can only assume that unjustified pressure has been put on SODC by parties with commercial interests that would not be beneficial to the area in the long term. This could only repeat the mistake that was made in respect of Berinsfield so long ago

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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.

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

To make this local plan sound, the development at Chalgrove Airfield should be deleted from this plan. It cannot be strategic, it cannot be justified in terms of meeting any requirements that can be better met by other or existing facilities

To commit the potentially horrendous cost of this development based on such erroneous information and opinions would be irresponsible

If Chalgrove Airfield had to be developed then a real strategy should be developed for it. Perhaps something like 'Develop an aerospace development centre' or 'Provide a significant manufacturing support facility for the Automotive industry' or 'Provide an Academic community in support of the nuclear industry' - A tangible strategy that would support developments in South Oxfordshire.

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Yes No

* **Please note:** the inspector will determine the most appropriate procedure to hear those who have indicated that they wish to participate at the public hearing.

Signature: Date: 17/02/2019
(this can be electronic)

Sharing your personal details

All comments will be submitted in full to the Secretary of State alongside a submission version of the Local Plan. The Secretary of State will appoint an independent planning inspector, who will carry out an examination of the plan.

Your name, contact details and comments will also be shared with the planning inspector and a programme officer, who will act as a point of contact between the council, inspector and respondents. This means that you will be contacted by the programme officer (and where necessary the council) with updates on the Local Plan. This is required by Regulation 22 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 and Section 20 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.

We have received assurance that the data passed to the planning inspector and programme officer will be kept securely and not used for any other purpose. The inspector and programme officer will retain the data up to six months after the plan has been adopted. South Oxfordshire District Council will hold the data for six years after the plan has been adopted.

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Future contact preferences

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):

- I would like to be added to the database to receive planning policy updates for South Oxfordshire
- I would also like to be added to the database to receive planning policy updates for Vale of White Horse

Further comment: Please use this space to provide further comment on the relevant questions in this form. **You must state which question your comment relates to.**

The question on legal compliance could only be answered properly by someone with sound legal qualifications and a deep understanding of the implications of the vast amount of information contained in the many documents associated with this plan. The employment of such individuals will have inevitably resulted in unjustified costs to those who want to participate properly in this part of the plan development. The majority of ordinary people have probably not been able to respond to this question properly

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