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**South Oxfordshire Local Plan Proposed Main
Modifications Consultation
Comment Form**

Please return by midnight on Monday 2 November 2020 via email planning.policy@southoxon.gov.uk or post to Freepost SOUTH AND VALE CONSULTATIONS (no stamp is needed and no further address is needed)

This form has two parts:
Part A – contact details
Part B – your comments

Part A

Are you responding as an: (please tick)

Individual

Business or organisation

Agent

A name and contact details are required for your comments to be considered.

1. Personal Details

2. Agent Details (if applicable)

Title

Mr

Full Name

Malcolm Smith

Organisation (if relevant)

Woodcote Parish Council

Job Title

Vice Chairman

(if relevant)

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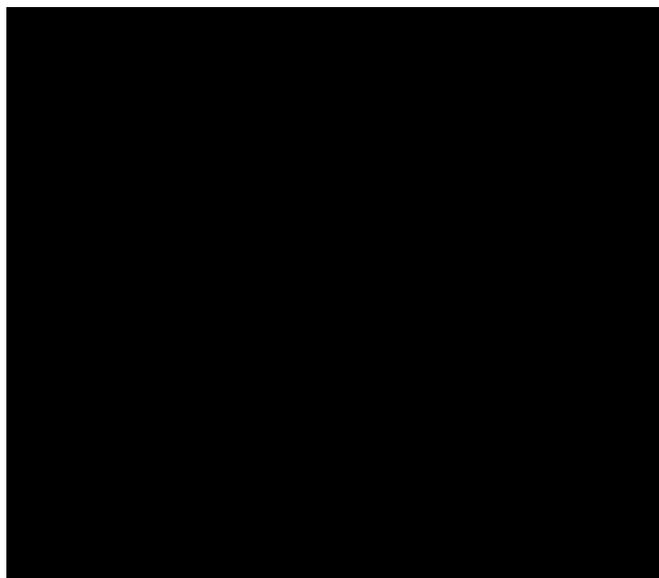
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Sharing your personal details

Your name, contact details and comments will be shared with the Planning Inspector and a Programme Officer, who acts as a point of contact between the Council, Inspector and respondents.

This means that you may be contacted by the Programme Officer or the Council with updates and in relation to any necessary consultations on the Local Plan. This is in accordance with Regulation 19 and 22 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012, Regulation 13 of The Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004 and Regulation 102 of The Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017.

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.

Comments submitted by individuals will be published on our website, alongside their name. No other contact details will be published. Comments submitted by businesses and/or organisations will be published, including contact details.

Please refer to our Privacy Notice regarding how your personal data is used for this consultation, available on our website southoxon.gov.uk/newlocalplan. If you would like to know more about the councils data protection registration or to find out about your personal data, please visit: southoxon.gov.uk/dataprotection

Future contact preferences

As explained above, 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 consultation 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

Part B – Please use a separate sheet for commenting on each proposed main modification or consultation document

You can provide your comments on the Emerging South Oxfordshire Local Plan Proposed Main Modifications in this section.

The list of documents you can comment on are:

- Schedule of Proposed Main Modifications
- Schedule of Policies Map Changes
- Sustainability Appraisal Report Addendum
- Habitats Regulations Assessment Addendum

Please note we are inviting comments on the Proposed Main Modifications and documents listed above only - this is not an opportunity to make comments on any other part of the Plan.

If you are commenting on the Main Modification document, please provide the main modification number (for example MM1) in the box below.

If you are unsure of the 'modification number', please refer to the Schedule of Proposed Main Modifications.

If you are commenting on any of the other consultation documents (for example the Sustainability Appraisal Addendum), please provide the relevant section, paragraph or page number in the box below:

Modification Number or
Document, section, paragraph or page
number

Main Modification MM26

Please provide your comments below:

If your comments are over 500 words it would be really helpful if you could also provide a summary of your comments using the text box in the next question.

If you wish to include any supporting documents, please attach them to this comment form.

As set out in Woodcote Parish Council's hearing statement, there is a conflict between policy H4 and the supporting text.

Although paragraph 5.30 recognises that some villages may be constrained by the AONB and not able to achieve the 15% growth, policy H4 (paragraph 2 and the associated footnote) indicates that, if a Neighbourhood Plan does not allocate sufficient sites to meet the requirements set out in paragraph 1, additional planning applications for sites outside those allocated in the Neighbourhood Plan will be supported. This implies that, if the Neighbourhood Plan allocates sites for fewer houses than set out in paragraph 1 of policy H4, SODC will approve planning applications for sites in addition to those allocated in the Neighbourhood Plan to make up the numbers, despite the recognition in paragraph 5.30 that some villages may be constrained by the AONB.

It is acknowledged by the Parish Council that failure to bring forward a Neighbourhood Plan means that SODC must take other steps to meet the requirements, a point that was made in paragraph 5.21 which has been deleted in the main modification MM26. However, if the Neighbourhood Plan has progressed to an adequate stage and does allocate sites for a number of houses that can be achieved taking into account constraints or other factors, then it is inappropriate for SODC to override the Neighbourhood Plan and approve applications for other sites, thus ignoring the requirements of paragraph 172 of the NPPF. The requirement is for the LPA to protect the AONB unless exceptional circumstance apply which, in this case, cannot be, and has not been demonstrated.

Woodcote Parish Council propose that the second paragraph of policy H4 should be amended to remove the words "to meet these requirements" and the footnote amended to remove the word "sufficient".

(Continue on page 5 if necessary)

If your comments cover more than the boxes provided, please use the space below to provide a summary. You are not required to summarise your comments, but a summary would help us in our reporting.

Please provide your summary below:

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