

Part B – Please use a separate sheet for each representation

Name or Organisation :

3. To which part of the Local Plan does this representation relate?

Paragraph Policy **Core Policies 4 & 5** Proposals Map

4. Do you consider the Local Plan is :

4.(1) Legally compliant	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.(2) Sound (Positively Prepared, Effective and Justified)	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4 (3) Complies with the Duty to co-operate	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please mark as appropriate.

5. Please give details of why you consider the Local Plan is not legally compliant or is unsound or fails to comply with the duty to co-operate. Please be as precise as possible.

If you wish to support the legal compliance or soundness of the Local Plan or its compliance with the duty to co-operate, please also use this box to set out your comments.

Core Policy 4 for meeting housing needs and Core Policy 5 that flows from it are based on the Strategic Housing Market Assessment for Oxfordshire (SHMA). The SHMA has been criticised by many people, but particularly by the CPRE based on a report commissioned by them from Professor Alan Wenban-Smith. The detailed issues are very technical in a way that is beyond ordinary members of the public, but there appear to be serious grounds for questioning the figures, especially when they have led to such a large increase in the prediction of the number of houses required, seemingly driven by a large increase in the predicted number of new jobs in the area. Until these criticisms have been objectively assessed the policy must be considered unsound. Certainly some of the numbers from the SHMA seem to be unrealistic.

(continue on a separate sheet/expand box if necessary)

6. Please set out what modification(s) you consider necessary to make the Local Plan legally compliant or sound, having regard to the test you have identified at 5 above where this relates to soundness. (NB Please note that any non-compliance with the duty to co-operate is incapable of modification at examination). You will need to say why this modification will make the Local Plan legally compliant or sound. It will be helpful if you are able to put forward your suggested revised wording of any policy or text. Please be as precise as possible.