Comment

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Q1 Do you consider the Local Plan is Legally

Compliant?

Yes

No

Q2 Do you consider the Local Plan is Sound

(positively prepared, effective and Justified)

If your comment(s) relate to a specific site within a core policy please select this from the drop down list.

Valley Park, Harwell and Milton Parishes east of

the A34 adjoining Didcot Town

If you think your comment relates to the DtC, this is about how we have worked with the Duty to Cooperate bodies (such as neighbouring planning authorities

Q3 Do you consider the Local Plan complies with Yes the Duty to Co-operate?

Q4 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.

This paragraph disregards the aim stated in paragraph 5.57 that: ? The countryside and villages will have maintained their distinctive character. The Larger Villages will have retained their separate identities??.

Treating development within Harwell village as expansion of Didcot, as this paragraph implies, does exactly the opposite: it turns Harwell village into a suburb of Didcot, thus removing its 'separate identity'.

Q5 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 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.

The boundary between the development areas (Valley Park) and Harwell village must be clearly defined in order to protect the distinct identity and character of Harwell Village, including a green zone where development is not allowed.

Please note your representation should cover succinctly all the information, evidence and supporting information necessary to support/justify the representation and the suggested modification, as there will not normally be a subsequent opportunity to make further representations based on the original representation at publication stage.

After this stage, further submissions will be only at the request of the Inspector, based on the matters and issues he/she identifies for examination.

Q6 If your representation is seeking a modification, No - I do not wish to participate at the oral do you consider it necessary to participate at the examination oral part of the examination?