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Q1 Do you consider the Local Plan is Legally Compliant?	Yes
Q2 Do you consider the Local Plan is Sound (positively prepared, effective and Justified)	No
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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.

In the not to distant future it seems that Didcot, Wallingford, Abingdon and Oxford will be joined together along with all the villages in that area. We are after all dubbed the Silicon Valley. But I hope that the Planning Authority will think seriously hard about this. At the moment the threat is real as proposals to build on the edge of Abingdon almost to Radley, which is being considered for joining up with Kennington. Small developments are preferable, so that we can keep our villages.

Other factors that must be considered are-1. The Schools in the area are already struggling to keep up with demand, so they will have to expand, or new ones build. 2. The Doctors surgeries are also finding it hard to keep up with the demand from new patients. They also will have to either expand or

new surgeries build. 3. The Hospitals are also struggling to keep up with demand. Some patients have also had to be transferred to other hospitals. Which is distressing for patients and concerning for the doctors who are treating them. 4. The Roads will need repairing and resurfacing as they will not be able to stand the extra influx of vehicles. Patching up is a waste of money and time. They will have to be repaired properly. The infrastructure will also have to be changed.

I know that Conservation is not high on the Ust, whether it is highly protected or has lower status. The plans are to sweep away as much as they can. It does not matter either that houses or businesses are in the way. But we must preserve as much Open Green Spaces as we can, as they are important, not only for Human beings, but Domestic Animals and Wildlife. These are important for every ones well being. So I ask the Planning Committee to consider everything very seriously also long and hard, and try to preserve our towns and villages for a while longer. Thank you.