

## Comment

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**Q1 Do you consider the Local Plan is Legally Compliant?** No

**Q2 Do you consider the Local Plan is Sound (positively prepared, effective and Justified)** No

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

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 the Duty to Co-operate?** No

**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.**

#### Sustainability

Development on the Southern site is not a sustainable option as there are insufficient pathways to the village, the roads are too narrow and access to the village will be by car via the A338 so increasing traffic and pollution in the village. The Eastern site has sufficient pathways to the village and already in place is pedestrian access to the school, village hall, recreational facilities, pub and restaurant opposite. Please note that East Hanney does not have any commercial convenience stores, GP surgery or dentist.

The original assessment of the East highlighted the fact that the A338 had to be crossed. That is still true, but, the development in Grove and Wantage assessed the need for traffic lights at the main junction of the A338, the village and the Steventon Road, these are being installed at the cost to that developer. Please also note the inadequacy of the roads to accommodate any increase in traffic that would arise from the South site that would exist onto the A338 and then have to negotiate three 90 degree, blind bends, to access the centre of the village.

Pictures to be added.