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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.

Water Supply and Sewerage

Thames Water made it clear to the Vale that the current sewage treatment works at Wantage is close to capacity, and that any modeling for all the developments will not take place until spring 2015.

We are very concerned about the volume of treated water that will be entering Letcombe Brook, our estimations based on average waste water per person per household and the number of houses to be built downstream of East Hanney (419,000,000 litres per year see the Parish Council document) is going to severely increase the risk to our village.

Our concern is that the proposed development to the South then robs the village of its defence system when there surely is an increase risk of flooding.

Picture showing pressure build up in Main Street with untreated waste water entering the street.

We suffer regularly from the sewage treatment plan not being able to cope as water levels rise. In 2007, 2010 and most recently in December 2013 waste water backed up and the man hole covers were raised by the pressure.

Building in the South is therefore illogical and unsustainable.

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, do you consider it necessary to participate at the oral part of the examination? No - I do not wish to participate at the oral examination