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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.	Valley Park, Harwell and Milton Parishes east of the A34 adjoining Didcot Town

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.

29.Valley Park ? The scale of growth potentially coming forward through applications at Valley Park needs to be fully considered. The Plan allocates 2,550 dwellings; however, developers are working on a scheme for 4,450 dwellings. The Vale will need to be able to demonstrate that the site can absorb higher levels of housing and further work needs to be done to understand if it can be mitigated with appropriate infrastructure and services being provided. The Plan will also need to consider if allocating higher numbers here would necessitate lower numbers elsewhere in the Plan. If it is demonstrated a

higher number can be delivered within the Plan period then the county council would strongly suggest less sustainable sites are removed from the plan.