



**Vale
of White Horse**
District Council

Local Plan 2031 Part 2 Publication Version Representation Form

Ref:

(For official
use only)

Name of the Local Plan to which this representation relates:

Vale of White Horse
Local Plan 2031 Part 2

Please return by 5pm on Wednesday 22 November 2017 to: Planning Policy, Vale of White Horse District Council, 135 Eastern Avenue, Milton Park, Milton, Abingdon, OX14 4SB or email planning.policy@whitehorsedc.gov.uk

This form has two parts:

Part A – Personal Details**Part B** – Your representation(s). Please fill in a separate sheet for each representation you wish to make.

Part A

1. Personal Details*

*If an agent is appointed, please complete only the Title, Name and Organisation boxes below but complete the full contact details of the agent in 2.

2. Agent's Details (if applicable)

Title

Mr

First Name

Malcolm

Last Name

Moor

Job Title (where relevant)

 Organisation representing
(where relevant)

SAFAG.

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Address Line 2

Address Line 3

Postal Town

Post Code

Telephone Number

Email Address

Sharing your details: please see page 3

Part B – Please use a separate sheet for each representation

Name or organisation:

3. To which part of the Local Plan does this representation relate?

Paragraph

noted
below

Policy

Policies Map

4. Do you consider the Local Plan is: (Please tick as appropriate)

4. (1) Legally compliant

Yes

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No

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4. (2) Sound

Yes

☐

No

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4. (3) Complies with the Duty to Cooperate

Yes

☐

No

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5. Please provide details of why you consider the Local Plan is not legally compliant or is unsound or fails to comply with the Duty to Cooperate. 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 Cooperate, please also use this box to set out your comments.

Para. 2.65 Upper Thames Water Storage Reservoir

Land has been reserved for possible reservoir but no mention of how this relates to proposed Abingdon Flood attenuation measures being produced by the Environment Agency on the same area of land west of the A34 which is covered by both policies.

The EA are progressing the flood protection measures and these should have been explained in detail and included in an Appendix .

It is 10 years since the terrible flood of 2007 that severely affected 300 homes and no significant protection measures have yet been taken to protect homes in Abingdon.

Natural flood protection measures including strategic planting should be introduced in the Upper Ock Catchment, in addition to flood storage schemes, to provide for long term

Slowing the Flow of the Ock and allow for increased flood events as result of climate change

Para. 3.12 -3.15 Custom and Self Build.

Support in principle is welcome but more specific allocation of pace for self build is important. A target of a minimum of 5% of new development areas allocated to custom and self build would be a good start otherwise this policy is unlikely to be implemented.

Cherwell Council have produced a good model at Bicester to build on.

The register has over 200 names on despite it being extremely difficult to find on the Vale website.

If this policy was better explained and promoted , in the local press for example, there would be many more names on the reister.

Some surveys show that 50% of those looking for a new home would like to self build which would be a fantastic asset to local economies and small builders and suppliers.

At present 10 companies provide 50% of the new housing in the UK, a situation unique in Europe and a reason for owu continuing housing crisis.

Para.3.224 Water quality policies should have included reference to **The Ock Catchment Water Environment Improvement Plan**, a major piece of vital research prepared by the Freshwater Habitats Trust and River Ock Catchment Partnership, Nov 2017

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6. Please set out what modification(s) you consider necessary to make the Local Plan legally compliant or sound, having regard to the matter you have identified at 5 above. (NB Please note that any non-compliance with the duty to cooperate 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.

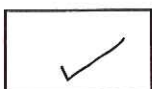
Cycle Network. The existing cycle provision in Abingdon is very poor and not safe for less experienced cyclists to use. There should be much stronger policies to ensure a Continuous and safe cycle network links all parts of the existing town to schools and shops as well as new developments.

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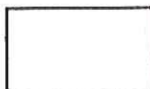
Please note your representation should cover succinctly all the information, evidence and supporting information necessary to support/justify the representation and the suggested modification, as there will not normally be a subsequent opportunity to make further representations based on the original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

7. 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



Yes, I wish to participate at the oral examination

8. If you wish to participate at the oral part of the examination, please outline why you consider this to be necessary:

Please note the Inspector will determine the most appropriate procedure to hear those who

have indicated that they wish to participate at the oral part of the examination.

Signature:

Date:

14.11.17

Sharing your personal details

Please be aware that, due to the process of having an Independent Examination, a name and means of contact is required for your representation to be considered. Respondent details and representations will be forwarded to the Inspector carrying out the examination of the Local Plan after the Publicity Period has ended. This data will be managed by a Programme Officer who acts as the point of contact between the council and the Inspector and respondents and the Inspector.

Representations cannot be treated as confidential and will be published on our website alongside your name. If you are responding as an individual rather than a company or organisation, we will not publish your contact details (email / postal address and telephone numbers) or signatures online, however the original representations are available for public viewing at our council office by prior appointment. All representations and related documents will be held by Vale of White Horse District Council for a period of 6 months after the Local Plan is adopted.

Would you like to hear from us in the future?

I would like to be kept informed about the progress of the Local Plan

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I would like to be added to the database to receive general planning updates

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Please do not contact me again

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Further comment: Please use this space to provide further comment on the relevant questions in this form.

Overall Comments.

The Plan has been improved through the plan making progress and has addressed many concerns but still lacks the ambition to make the Vale a truly outstanding place to live and work that it deserves being at the heart of one of Europe's greatest centres of knowledge and science.

Smart City policies should not be limited to Didcot Market Town but rolled out across the whole district to improve transport and quality of life.

You must state which question your comment relates to.

THE OVERALL PLAN.



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