

Vale of White Horse Local Plan (Part 2) 2011-2031

Examination Hearings

Statement by Oxfordshire County Council

Matter 1

Duty to Co-operate and other legal requirements

Tuesday morning - 3 July 2018

Questions:

- 1.1 What are the strategic matters relevant to the LPP2 and which other authorities/organisations are affected?
- 1.2 How has the engagement been carried out, what has been the outcome and how has this addressed the strategic matters?
- 1.3 Has the Council engaged constructively, actively and on an on-going basis with the relevant bodies in maximising the effectiveness of the LPP2?
- 1.4 Overall, has the Council satisfactorily discharged its duty to co-operate to maximise the effectiveness of the LPP2?
- 1.5 Has the preparation of the LPP2 complied with the 2004 Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act and the relevant regulations?
- 1.6 Has the preparation of the LPP2 complied with the Statement of Community Involvement?
- 1.7 Is the LPP2 compliant with the Local Development Scheme?
- 1.8 Have the likely environmental, social and economic effects of the LPP2 been adequately addressed in the Sustainability Appraisal? Does the appraisal test the plan against reasonable alternatives for the spatial strategy of the plan and the distribution of housing?
- 1.9 Does the Habitats Regulations Assessment identify likely significant effects of the LPP2 on European nature conservation sites and, if so, put forward appropriate mitigation measures?

Response

1. Question 1.4: Oxfordshire County Council considers that the Vale of White Horse District Council has satisfactorily discharged its duty to co-operate. At the time of writing this Statement, a Statement of Common Ground is being prepared with the Vale of White Horse District Council stating that
2. Oxfordshire County Council is seeking to attend the hearing should the Inspector have any queries to direct to the County Council in respect of the Matter 1 questions.