

## Comment

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**Q1 Do you consider the Local Plan is Legally Compliant?** Yes

**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.** N/A

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.**

The Local Plan has identified four sites in the Oxford Green Belt for development for 1,510 dwellings.

A further 11 sites in the Green Belt have been identified for removal from the Green Belt. This is based on the Vale Council's so-called 'local Green Belt Review'. However, it was just a search to identify housing sites in the Vale's portion of the Oxford Green Belt. There should be no allocation of sites in the Vale's portion of the Oxford Green Belt until a full joint review of the entire Green Belt has been completed by all five Oxfordshire Districts and the County Council.

**Q5 Please set out what modification(s) you consider necessary to make the Local Plan legally compliant or sound, having regard to the test you have identified above where this relates to soundness. (NB Please note that any non-compliance with the duty to co-operate 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.**

Delete all references to the 'local Green Belt Review'. Also, the four sites in the Oxford Green Belt identified for development with 1,150 dwellings should be removed from the allocation of housing. These four sites and the further 11 sites proposed for removal from the Green Belt should be reinstated into the Oxford Green Belt.

**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