

## 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.**

Reason for plan to be considered unsound: The Plan specifies several development sites. Each site will only become sustainable when the associated infrastructure is built. The infrastructure will have to wait until a large proportion of the houses are built. If development goes ahead on many sites at once, there will be a long period during which the residents of all of these sites will have to cope with inadequate infrastructure. If overall growth in jobs is slower than predicted, the Vale will have many areas with inadequate infrastructure for a long time (and hence not sustainable).

**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.**

Modifications to make the plan sound: The Plan should provide a phased growth policy over the period to accommodate the rate at which new houses are built, to achieve sustainability as fast as possible on each site. The order in which sites are developed should be based on which have the least negative effect on the environment.