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Q1 Do you consider the Local Plan is Legally

Compliant?

Yes

Yes

N/A

Q2 Do you consider the Local Plan is Sound

(positively prepared, effective and Justified)

If your comment(s) relate to a specific site within a core policy please select this from the drop down

list.

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 Yes the Duty to Co-operate?

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.

4.0 CONCLUSIONS AND NEXT STEPS 4.0.1 The Freeholder considers that the strategic direction contained within the draft Plan is wholly appropriate and represents positive and pragmatic spatial planning by the district Council. The Plan appears to be informed by a robust and up to date evidence base and contains a housing target that is based on the findings of an objectively assessed need that also incorporates an identified backlog. Furthermore, policy CP2 makes adequate provision, in our view, for a review of the Plan to take account of the issue of unmet need arising from Oxford City and the Council?s obligations in this regard under the Duty to Cooperate.

4.0.2 Linked with the overall issue of housing need is the fact that the Council have taken the opportunity, as prescribed by the NPPF, to undertake a thorough review of its Green Belt boundary and as a result it is proposing the release of a number of small scale strategic sites within identified settlements in order to address the existing acute housing delivery problem in the short term. The Freeholder supports the proposed amendments to the Green Belt boundary at North West Radley, the Triangular field and Gooseacre, and endorses the findings of the Green Belt Review in this respect; albeit there are some concerns regarding the findings of the Review in respect of the now omitted site at North Radley. The Freeholder would emphasise its commitment to ensuring that adequate community and educational facilities are provided commensurate with the increased size of the village, and are aware that this needs to be detailed in conjunction with both the Parish Council and the village primary school. The relevant statutory authorities must also be consulted so that integrated infrastructure upgrades are put in place.

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, Yes - I wish to participate at the oral examination do you consider it necessary to participate at the oral part of the examination?