## Comment

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Abingdon-on-Thames and Oxford Fringe Sub-Area

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Q1 Do you consider the Local Plan is Legally

Compliant?

Yes

No

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 N/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.

The Plan is inconsistent with planning guidance and government policies on the protection of green belts. To the north of Abingdon the land rises forming a natural out rim to the historic Town. This

unspoilt countryside is extensively used by the residents of the town for recreational purposes. An area of natural beauty used by locals forwalking, cycling, horse riding and runners. The area is home to many species of wildlife birds and mammals. The area is classed as good agricultural land an farmed extensively. As previously mentioned the land rises away to the no(h of Abingdon and I have witnessed as a result of heavy downpours water running off the field and collecting in the ditch to the immediate northern edge of the Dunmore Road, enough to burst its banks. My fears would be that building on this land would reduce the soak away soil drainage and cause flash flooding of the Dunmore Road and the existing local housing.

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.

I believe this plan has not been correctly constructed and I would like to see a revised plan using brownfield sites instead.

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, No - I do not wish to participate at the oral do you consider it necessary to participate at the oral part of the examination?

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