Comment

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Consultation Point How the Western Vale Sub-Area will change by

2031 (View)

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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 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 No 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.

Little Coxwell Parish Council supports the sentiments expressed that "The quality of the rural environment will have been maiintained" and "The countryside and villages will have maintained their distinctive character". However various policies within the plan make these predictions seem highly optimistic.

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.

Core Policy 28 supports development for employment in rural areas where alternative buildings are not available and it will benefit the local economy. Given that the sites identified for employment use already meet the allocation requirements identified for employment land (219 hectares as per para 4.24) the council consider that a tougher line should be taken on development for employment use in rural areas, to ensure the prediction that the character of the countryside will be maintained has some substance and is more than just wishful thinking.

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 examination oral part of the examination?