

## Comment

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Event Name	Vale of White Horse Local Plan 2031 Part One - Publication
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Consultation Point	Core Policy 21: Safeguarding of Land for Strategic Highway Improvements within the Western Vale Sub-Area ( <a href="#">View</a> )
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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.**

Whilst the Parish Council welcomes the safeguarding of land at these sites for revised junctions at Faringdon and Shrivenham the policy does not go far enough given the massive amount of development in terms of housing and employment envisaged along the A420 between Swindon & Oxford over the next 15 years.

**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.**

VWHDC need to face up to the fact that they have a choice between achieving the level of development currently envisaged and building the infrastructure to cope with that or cutting back on the level of housing development to a sustainable level and thereby reducing the need for massive infrastructure improvements. Given the rural nature of the Western Vale a more modest level of development would seem more realistic, as massive road improvements are unlikely to be affordable and would have a negative impact on the area, in particular increasing noise pollution.

The CIL will only help fund improvements for access onto the A420 at specific sites and does not address the issue of over-capacity on the road as a whole.

**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