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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)

North of Abingdon-on-Thames

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 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.

I am pro additional housing in Oxfordshire, however I believe that there is significant potential for the addition of housing to the North of Abingdon to result in continual traffic disruption for the residents south of the site.

Access to Dunmore road from the feeder roads is problematic during peak hours (7:00-9:00 & 17:00-19:00) taking several minutes to exit Boulter Drive, and additional traffic load due to the planned housing (and potential full interchange at lodge hill) will only exacerbate this.

Also the Wooton road roundabout is already causing congestion (with a several minute wait to access the roundabout) with the current traffic load.

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.

Access to the Eastern portion of the new site could be from the oxford road, or from a single roundabout located by one of the existing T junctions, or traffic lighted cross roads.

The Wotton road roundabout could be expanded to be a properly dual lane roundabout.

Dunmore road could be widened to make the cyclists that do use the road cause less congestion.

Adherance to the 'what we would need' plan proposed by the Long furlong 'North Abingdon Local Plan Group'

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?

Please note the Inspector will determine the most appropriate procedure to adopt to hear those who have indicated that they wish to participate at the oral part of the examination.

Q7 If you wish to participate at the oral part of the examination, please outline why you consider this to be necessary:

If the inspector considers it appropriate to gather additional information I am happy to oblige