

## Comment

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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?** Yes

**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 Parish Council objects to the loss of the green belt. The green belt was created to protect the environs of Oxford and represents a valued open space between Oxford and Abingdon. The concreting over and the erosion of the open space leads to the merger of urban areas. There may be planned expansion for jobs and businesses within Oxfordshire but there is a lack of infrastructure. There are, for example, already long waits in traffic, or substantial road congestion when a road is closed. The proposal to build would contribute to creating one urban sprawl. The NPPF requires the boundaries of a green belt to be changed only in exceptional circumstances. A proposal to build 1510 houses in the green belt and to remove another 11 sites goes against national policy and should be resisted.

**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