

## Comment

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Q1 Do you consider the Local Plan is Legally Compliant?	No
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.**

In the proposed North Abingdon development, ?Dunmore Road and Twelve Acre Drive would cause severance for the site and pedestrian crossings would need to be implemented? (SA Report Appendices

p.119). Roundabouts would also be needed in order to allow vehicles to exit estate roads. Thus the site could only comply with SO3 if Dunmore Road and Twelve Acre Drive becomes a residential road rather than a ring road. This would make worse the severe congestion elsewhere in the town. Suggestions have been made regarding the improvement of traffic flow in Dunmore Road but the main congestion point is the Dunmore Road/Wooton Road roundabout which has recently had its capacity reduced on safety grounds

**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.**

There is no obvious way to make this further development of the North Abingdon area sustainable though not using Dunmore road as the main access route to the development would remove one issue. There is already an access road through from Lodge Hill to a civil engineer's contractor site and on to the development but this has been excluded as an option in the plan.

**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?** Yes - I wish to participate at the oral 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:**

Whilst not necessary as I am sure the Inspector will consider these submissions, I would value hearing the process and would be willing to answer any additional questions