



**Vale of White Horse Local Plan Part One:
Strategic Sites and Policies**
Publication Stage Representation Form

Ref:

(For official
use only)

Name of the Local Plan to which this representation relates:

Vale of White Horse Local Plan

Response form for the Vale of White Horse strategic planning policy document, the Local Plan Part one. Please return to Planning Policy, Vale of White Horse District Council, Benson Lane, Crowmarsh, Wallingford, OX10 8ED or email planning.policy@whitehorsedc.gov.uk no later than Friday 19 December 2014 by 4.30 pm precisely.

This form has two parts –

Part A – Personal Details

Part B – Your representation(s). Please fill in a separate sheet for each representation you wish to make.

Part A

1. Personal Details*

**If an agent is appointed, please complete only the Title, Name and Organisation boxes below but complete the full contact details of the agent in 2.*

2. Agent's Details (if applicable)

Title

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First Name

Robin

Last Name

Draper

Job Title

(where relevant)

Organisation

(where relevant)

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Line 3

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E-mail Address

(where relevant)

Part B – Please use a separate sheet for each representation

REF:
VALE OF WHITE HORSE LOCAL PLAN 2031 PART 1: STRATEGIC SITES AND
POLICIES
APPENDICES
November 2014

3. To which part of the Local Plan does this representation relate?

Paragraph	<div>Page 21 to the Appendices</div>	Policy	<div>Local Plan Strategic Sites</div>	Proposals Map	<div></div>
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4. Do you consider the Local Plan is :

4.(1) Legally compliant	Yes	<div></div>	No	<div>Not sure</div>
4.(2) Sound (Positively Prepared, Effective and Justified)	Yes	<div></div>	No	<div>NO</div>
4 (3) Complies with the Duty to co- operate	Yes	<div></div>	No	<div>NO</div>

Please mark as appropriate.

Comments See below

5. 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 inclusion of the site for 220 houses to the East of Sutton Courtenay at Page 21 of the Appendices East is unsound and would represent a tipping point in the sustainability of the village, give its location and infrastructure.

The proposal is particularly unsound as the houses would border an active landfill site in an area which regularly floods. Moreover the 220 houses, would be in addition to recent increases of over 50 % in the size of the village and would threaten the sustainability of it's already fragile infrastructure.

The houses would within a few yards of massive landfill cells which were capped only a few years ago and would only be a few hundred yards from an operational composing site, treating waste totalling 40,000 tonnes per annum, mainly from London.

It would consequently be exposed to more frequent experiences of being blanketed with noxious odours than the already unacceptable occurrences across other parts of the village, which the EA has proved unable to control, despite strict environmental permit conditions.

It is also a fact that large parts of the site flood regularly as a result of the breakdown of the natural drainage system due to the landfill site and the inadequate drainage scheme on that site.

The houses would also feed into the inadequate sewerage system, put under even greater strain by other developments, including a massive warehouse, with detrimental effects in the lower village and the likelihood of increased blowbacks.

6. 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 at 5 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.

The Vale DC should remove the site for 220 Houses to the East of Sutton Courtenay at page 21 of the Local Plan Appendices, from its proposals

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.

7. If your representation is seeking a modification, do you consider it necessary to participate at the oral part of the examination?

YES

No, I do not wish to participate at the oral examination

Yes, I wish to participate at the oral examination

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

I have given a whole series of reasons for wishing to participate in my web responses to the main document.

In this case it would also be to highlight the unsuitable nature of this site and urge its removal from the plan.

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.

Signature:

18 Dec 14