
From: Troth Wells
Sent: 12 October 2017 15:38
To: Planning Policy Vale
Subject: Re: Local Plan 2031 Part 2 - publicity period

Dear Planners

I have read the document referred to below, and welcome the concern and emphasis it places on equine businesses, on horse-riders and the enhancement and protection of Public Rights of Way network, as well as referencing the County's Rights of Way Management Plan.

I have sent relevant sections to South Oxfordshire's planners in the hope that they might incorporate some of your document's content in this regard.

Ms Troth Wells

County Chair, and Access and Bridleways Officer
British Horse Society, Oxfordshire

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Troth Wells

On 11 Oct 2017, at 09:51, Vale of White Horse District Council
<planning.policy@whitehorsedc.gov.uk> wrote:

Dear Ms Wells,

Following consultation and gathering of evidence, we are nearly ready to submit our Local Plan 2031 Part 2 for independent examination.

Our Local Plan 2031 Part 2 sets out policies and locations for housing for the Vale of White Horse district's proportion of Oxford's housing need up to 2031, which cannot be met within the City boundaries. The document also contains policies for the part of the Didcot Garden Town that lies within the Vale and detailed development management policies to complement Local Plan 2031 Part 1. It replaces the saved policies of the Local Plan 2011 and allocates additional development sites for housing.

Before we submit our Plan, we are carrying out a six week publicity period, which will run from today until **5pm on Wednesday 22 November 2017**.

The publicity period is different from the previous consultation, as the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) Regulations 2012 dictate that we ask specific questions relating to the soundness and legality of the Plan.

After the publicity period, we will submit the Plan to the Secretary of State, who will appoint a Planning Inspector to carry out an independent examination. The inspector will then examine the Plan, the evidence supporting it and the comments received, and make a decision on whether the Plan is "sound" and "legally compliant".

To help explain the publicity process in more detail, we have prepared a [guidance](#)

[note](#) and [a short video](#).

We are also hosting public events across the district to help explain the publicity process and how to comment. The events will all provide the same information so please feel free to attend any event.

Exhibitions and public meetings

Exhibition 4-6.30pm followed by public meeting 7-8.30pm

- **Monday 6 November:** Abingdon and Witney College, Abingdon Campus, Wootton Road, Abingdon, OX14 1GG
- **Tuesday 14 November:** Corn Exchange, Gloucester Street, Faringdon, SN7 7JA
- **Wednesday 15 November:** Harwell Village Hall, High Street, Harwell, OX11 0EX

How to view the information

The Plan, evidence documents, guidance note, video and comment form are available on our [website](#)

Hard copies of the Plan, appendices and a selection of supporting documents will be available during opening hours at the locations listed at the bottom of this email.

How to comment

Responses can be made until **5pm on 22 November 2017** by:

- using our [online consultation system](#) (registration is required);
- downloading the [comment form](#) and emailing it to planning.policy@whitehorsedc.gov.uk;
- collecting a comment form from one of the locations listed below and posting it to Planning Policy, VOWH 135 Eastern Avenue, Milton Park, Abingdon OX14 4SB;
- attending one of our public events.

For your comments to be considered, you must provide your name and address. All responses received will be available for the public to view. If you respond on behalf of an organisation or agent we may display your name and contact details. If you respond as an individual we may display your name, but we will not display your contact details. All comments will be passed on to the Secretary of State.

Notification

You may also state in your response if you would like to be notified about the submission of the Plan to the Secretary of State, any recommendations resulting from an independent examination, and finally whether the Local Plan is adopted.

Thank you in advance for your participation and we hope to see you at one of our events.

If you have any questions, please contact the planning policy team on 01235

422600 or email planning.policy@whitehorsedc.gov.uk

Kind regards

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