

Local Plan 2031 Part 2

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Representation Form

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Name of the Local Plan to which this representation relates:

Vale of White Horse
Local Plan 2031 Part 2

Please return by 5pm on Wednesday 22 November 2017 to: Planning Policy, Vale of White Horse District Council, 135 Eastern Avenue, Milton Park, Milton, Abingdon, OX14 4SB or email planning.policy@whitehorsedc.gov.uk

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)

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Sharing your details: please see page 3

Part B (1) – Please use a separate sheet for each representation

Name or organisation: Wantage and Grove Campaign Group

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

Paragraph

Policy

CP4a
CP15a

Policies Map

4. Do you consider the Local Plan is: *(Please tick as appropriate)*

4. (1) Legally compliant

Yes

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No

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4. (2) Sound

Yes

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No

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4. (3) Complies with the Duty to Cooperate

Yes

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CP4a and CP15a refer to Additional Allocations.

In the examination of Local Plan Part 1 the Inspector concluded that the figures included in the Oxfordshire SHMA for the Vale were sound and should form the basis of the plan. He also concluded that additional dwellings were required to meet part of the unmet need from Oxford. Our interpretation of the comment included in paragraph 2.35 is that the allocation of replacement sites would be sites included within the overall Housing Target from the SHMA not in addition to it.

He made no mention of increasing the overall housing target further. The addition of 1400 more dwellings in the overall housing target in excess of that required by the SHMA makes the overall plan for the Vale unsound as it increases the risk of failing the five year land supply test to an unacceptable level.

These additional figures were not included in the SHMA and should not be included in the 5 year land supply calculations for the Vale. The NPPF requires the plan to be based on SHMA figures and any deviation from this will make the plan unsound.

The rationale included in the Plan Part 2 suggests that the Council is also allocating additional housing to support the Council's objective to support the Science Vale area.

The Science Vale growth was adequately covered in the SHMA and the figures in the Local Plan Part 1 therefore include the growth of the Science Vale.

These additions are not in accordance with the 'spatial strategy' set out in the Part 1 plan, which makes provision for growth of around 23,000 new jobs, 218 hectares of employment land, and at least 20,560 new homes, to be delivered during the plan period from 2011 to 2031.

The Vale of White Horse housing requirement should be the 20,560 included in the SHMA – declared sound in the Part 1 examination plus the 2,200 to meet part of the Oxford City Unmet need therefore 22,760 homes, **not 22,760 plus 1,400.**

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Remove the additional allocation of 1,400 dwellings and ensure that the total matches the figures in the SHMA plus the 2,200 to meet Oxford's unmet need.

We suggest that as a minimum the following allocations be removed as these villages have already taken significant allocations:

North West East Hanney	- 80
East of East Hanney	- 50
Kingston Bagpuize	- 600
Grove	- 300
Harwell Village	- 100

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Part B (2) – Please use a separate sheet for each representation

Name or organisation: Wantage and Grove Campaign Group

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

Paragraph

Policy

CP18a

Policies Map

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CP18a refers to safeguarding land for a possible pedestrian and cycle bridge over the A34 to encourage cycling within the Science Vale but does not safeguard any land for the cycle route from Wantage and Grove to the employment sites in the Science Vale as shown in Local Plan Part 1 figure 5.6b proposed Science Vale strategic cycle network. We understand that the route for this cycleway was approved about 6 years ago.

We refer to the total of over 6,500 homes approved or allocated to Wantage and Grove and the surrounding villages and the lack of the additional infrastructure which will be required to support the residents of these developments.

Furthermore no land is safeguarded for transport interchange facilities needed to meet the Oxfordshire Transport Plans objectives for connected transport needed to ensure that the vitality of the Town Centre of Wantage is maintained through the growth to 2031.

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Safeguard land for a cycle route from Wantage to Harwell / Didcot and a transport interchange near Wantage and Grove.

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Paragraph

Policy

DP8

Policies Map

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Yes

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Local Plan Part 1 made no mention of the Health Services such as NHS England and Oxfordshire Clinical Commissioning Group or the emergency services such as the Police, Fire or Ambulance Services. The supporting paragraphs to Development Policy 8 refer to the quality and accessibility of community services, such as schools, places of worship, village and community halls and libraries, as important as part of maintaining sustainable and viable places but still do not mention Health Services or Emergency Services.

The recently produced Oxfordshire Infrastructure Strategy states that “delivering the necessary infrastructure to support the growth from now to 2040 is estimated to cost at least £8.96 billion in 2016 terms. This represents an estimate of capital delivery costs only and does not include the additional annual revenue requirements and maintenance costs. ... The scale of secured funding identified is limited at £510 million.”

The NPPF requires that infrastructure shall be developed in parallel to developments and NOT retro-fitted after completion. Therefore the plan should identify how all community services including health and emergency services are going to be funded in parallel with development.

Without a plan to ensure that health and emergency services can be provided in line with developments in accordance with the NPPF this plan must be unsound.

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Identify funding for the required health and emergency services infrastructure to support the plan (clearly identified in the Oxfordshire Infrastructure Strategy) and include in the Infrastructure Delivery Plan.

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Paragraph

Policy

DP13a

Policies Map

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Yes

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Paragraph 3.89 refers to the Primary and Secondary Shopping Frontages having been Updated and included in Appendix J. For Wantage this includes Limborough Road but the map excludes a new retail unit in Limborough Road for which permission was granted in 2016 in application P15/V2490/FUL.

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Include the unit referred to above in the map in Appendix J.

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Part B (5) – Please use a separate sheet for each representation

Name or organisation: Wantage and Grove Campaign Group

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

Paragraph

Policy

DP18

Policies Map

4. Do you consider the Local Plan is: *(Please tick as appropriate)*

4. (1) Legally compliant

Yes

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No

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4. (2) Sound

Yes

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4. (3) Complies with the Duty to Cooperate

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We support the policy which will not permit the loss of public parking in the Town and Local Centres, but suggest that any change of use in the Centres which is likely to encourage more cars should be required to contribute to the improvement of parking provision. The current level of provision exacerbates the problem of illegal parking on streets in and around town centres. Unenforced parking restrictions greatly reduces footfall in shopping area, but enforcement requires sufficient parking to be made available.

For example, the food takeaway units in Newbury Street and Wallingford Street in Wantage encourage short term parking on double yellow lines by both customers and delivery drivers where it could be dangerous.

At the current time the Wantage Chamber of Commerce has stated that problem parking is strangling the town as vehicles take advantage of lax parking enforcement on roads in the town centre. They have been quoted as stating that:

“it is not uncommon for streets with double yellow lines to be occupied [with parked cars] 24 hours a day and at times vehicles have been parked in the 30 minute spaces for two to three weeks without moving.”

Employees working in the town centre find it difficult to park and during the consultations for the Neighbourhood Plan several employers stated that they were considering moving out of the town centre because of parking problems.

Parking restrictions in ‘Disabled bays’ needs to be enforced as currently disabled are often not able to park and shop in Wantage Market Place. (As an example on a recent Saturday at

09.30 of the 10 disabled parking spaces there were 3 vans, and 4 cars parked not displaying 'blue badges'). At other times buses have been parked in the disabled bays. Even the police cars park to go to cash machines in the disabled bays by TSB and Barclays Banks in Wantage Market Place.

The NPPF paragraph 40 as quoted in the topic paper states that:

"Local authorities should seek to improve the quality of parking in town centres so that it is convenient, safe and secure, including appropriate provision for motorcycles"

Yet no policy in the Local Plan considers the requirement to improve the quality or quantity of parking in the Town and Local Centres.

Land should be safeguarded to this effect or long stay car-parks should be provided on the edge of the Market Towns.

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Development Policy 18: Public Car Parking in Settlements

Add that any change of use in the Town Centres which is likely to encourage more cars should be required to contribute to the improvement of public parking provision.

Add a policy in the Local Plan to improve the quality and quantity of public parking in the Town and Local Centres by safeguarding land to this effect and ensuring that any change of use which requires more use of existing public car parking (such as take-away food outlets or residential or care home provision) should contribute to the improvement of public parking facilities.

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YES

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This issue is important to the vitality of the Town Centres and should be a core component of the Plan Part 2 and must be resolved.

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Paragraph

Policy

DP28

Policies Map

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No reference is made for the requirement to create space for recycling and refuse containers to be placed in kerbside locations for emptying which do not obstruct footpaths or cycleways.

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Include the requirement for adequate space to be available to allow residents to place bins at the kerb for collection without obstructing footpaths or cycleways.

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Paragraph

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DP29

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There is no definition of the “physical and visual separation” of settlements and without this, this policy is open to challenge. Saved Policy NE10 which this policy is intended to replace refers to:

“In the urban fringes and important open gaps between settlements, as shown on the proposals map, development or changes of use which would harm their essentially open or rural character will not be permitted.”

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Define the “physical and visual separation” of settlements or include the wording from the saved policy shown above.

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Part B (8) – Please use a separate sheet for each representation

Name or organisation: Wantage and Grove Campaign Group

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

Paragraph

Policy

DP33

Policies

4. Do you consider the Local Plan is: *(Please tick as appropriate)*

4. (1) Legally compliant

Yes

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No

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4. (2) Sound

Yes

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No

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4. (3) Complies with the Duty to Cooperate

Yes

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Green Infrastructure Strategy and the Open Space Report both include detailed references to the Public Open Spaces in the Wantage area, yet the list of Public Open Spaces is different in each report.

For example:

Figure 3.3.7 of the Green Infrastructure Strategy shows the **Public Open Space** in **Wantage** as:

2. Letcombe Wildlife Corridor/ Willow Walk Nature Reserve
3. Hamfield Play Area
4. Humber Close Playground
5. The Chestnuts Play Area
6. Manor Road Memorial Park

This includes play areas which according to the definition in Appendix K of the plan are not public open space but does not include many of the amenity open spaces shown on Figure 9 of the Open Space Report 2016 which are included in the definition such as the Betjeman Millennium Park, Harcourt Green or the area behind Foliat Drive.

Figure 20 of the Open Space Report 2016: Play area quality audit results lists the play areas in Wantage as:

- Larkdown Play Area
- White Horn Farm Play Area
- Hamfield Play Area
- Stockholm Park Play Area
- Humber Close Play Area

But does not include the Chestnuts Play Area or the play area on Manor Road Memorial Park.

Neither list is complete therefore the Policy is unsound.

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Update the Green Infrastructure Strategy to include a full list of the Public Open Space.

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Core Policy 45 requires proposals for new development must provide adequate Green Infrastructure in line with the Green Infrastructure Strategy.

As stated in Local Plan Part 2 “the **Green Infrastructure Strategy** sets out a vision for the creation of an interconnected, multifunctional Green Infrastructure (GI) network of green and blue spaces and corridors in the Vale.

In considering new development proposals, it is important to ensure that GI is designed in a way that enhances the connectivity between GI assets at both district and local level.”

Yet **Development Policy 33** on Open Space makes no mention of enhancing connectivity. Open space is defined as primarily open land, whether green or hard surfaced, that offers important opportunities for sport and recreation, as well as providing visual amenity. Without a strong link between the requirement for open space (Development Policy 33) and the broader requirement in Core Policy 45 we are concerned that the vision for the creation of an interconnected, multifunctional Green Infrastructure (GI) network will not be achieved.

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Amend DP33 to read:

“Proposals for major residential developments will be required to provide or contribute towards safe, attractive and accessible open space in accordance with the open space standards as set out in Appendix K **and the GI Planning Principles in the Green Infrastructure Strategy ...**”

“Development of open space will only be permitted provided that:

- **the connectivity between GI assets is not compromised, and**
- when assessed against the Open Spaces Report, it is clearly shown that the open space is surplus to requirements; or
- ...”

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Appendix N

Policy

Policies Map

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