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Q1 Do you consider the Local Plan is Legally

Compliant?

Yes

No

Q2 Do you consider the Local Plan is Sound

(positively prepared, effective and Justified)

If your comment(s) relate to a specific site within a N/A core policy please select this from the drop down list.

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 No the Duty to Co-operate?

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 growth projections are completely unrealistic and yet are used to support the plans for development. These projections are completely out of line with any actual population or employment growth figures

ever realised. Additionally, there is an increasing and yet unrecognised pressure on our infrastructure: the roads are blocked by traffic and accidents across all of south Oxfordshire with the A34 particularly unfit for purpose; the A415 and A417 incapable of handling the demands of traffiic; the single lane bridge crossing over the Thames at Sutton Courtenay creates many backups throughout the day that extend through the villages of Sutton Courtenay, Culham and Appleford; the backups throughout the day at the Clifton Hamden intersection in all directions create huge business opportunity costs as people are stuck in traffic jams for 20- 30 minutes; and more pollution (both noise and smell) are growing all the time. Additionally, where are the increased number of schools and medical facilities to cope with this projected growth?

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.

Base your growth figures on historical reality; build infrastructure before development to include roads, bridges, schools, medical facilities.

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, Yes - I wish to participate at the oral examination do you consider it necessary to participate at the oral part of the 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:

Having lived in Sutton Courtenay for over 7 years and constantly battling inappropriate development threats to our medieval village--from the incinerator proposal to the farcical vote over the planned mega industrial warehouse, I do not believe the VWDC is actually listening to its constituents and using reason and sound judgement.