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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

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.

1,720 of the proposed new homes will be located in the Oxford Green Belt in the villages of Cumnor, Kennington and Radley. This proposal will represent an unprecedented attack on the Green Belt and character of the rural Vale. Local planning authorities should only alter Green Belt boundaries in exceptional circumstances so that they should be capable of enduring beyond the plan period. The green belt areas should be protected against new housing development as mentioned in NPPF guidance on Green Belt paras 79-92 and PPG2 Green Belt document. If VWHDC reduce the proposed housing figures by 1,720 this will remove the need to build any new houses in the Green Belt.