

## Comment

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<b>Q1 Do you consider the Local Plan is Legally Compliant?</b>	No
<b>Q2 Do you consider the Local Plan is Sound (positively prepared, effective and Justified)</b>	No
<b>If your comment(s) relate to a specific site within a core policy please select this from the drop down list.</b>	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.**

Unmet Need and Early Review of the Plan 10.The Plan contains a policy relating to unmet housing need across Oxfordshire (CP2), identifying that the City may not be able to accommodate the whole of its housing requirement within the plan period of 2011-2031. However it has not considered explicitly how any unmet need might be delivered and which could require a need to look at different spatial strategies. There is a need to ensure that the Plan adequately addresses the issue of collaborative working to deal with unmet housing needs. A

countywide strategic review of spatial strategy options and associated infrastructure planning is required to accommodate unmet need, the process of which has to be defined. The wording proposed in the policy should be amended to make it more explicit about the need for an Oxfordshire-wide, comprehensive approach, which integrates housing provision, employment and infrastructure across the county.

11. Should it be agreed that all or part of this growth be within the Vale, the impact and infrastructure to support that growth would need to be looked at, potentially through the context of a different spatial strategy to that proposed in the current Plan.

12. The Plan proposes either a review or a Development Plan Document to deal with unmet need in conformity with the Spatial Strategy. The county agrees with this proposition but would like to see flexibility in policy to allow for a different/modified spatial strategy that may be more aligned to the County overall.