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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.	Valley Park, Harwell and Milton Parishes east of the A34 adjoining Didcot Town

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.

28.North Abingdon ? Growth has been allocated here in the hope it will support the delivery of south facing slips at the A34 Lodge Hill interchange. It will not be viable for the development to fully fund the scheme. There will also be other infrastructure and service improvements required in addition to this. Recent announcements relating to the A34 have confirmed there is no Highways Agency/DfT funding for such a scheme. The county council can also confirm it has no funding. As there is no guarantee

of third party funding for Lodge Hill, there is a risk that development will progress without the interchange improvements if proven this is acceptable.