



**Vale of White Horse Local Plan Part One:
Strategic Sites and Policies**
Publication Stage Representation Form

Ref:

(For official
use only)

Name of the Local Plan to which this representation relates:

Vale of White Horse Local Plan 2031

Response form for the Vale of White Horse strategic planning policy document, the Local Plan Part one. Please return to Planning Policy, Vale of White Horse District Council, Benson Lane, Crowmarsh, Wallingford, OX10 8ED or email planning.policy@whitehorsedc.gov.uk no later than Friday 19 December 2014 by 4.30 pm precisely.

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)

Title

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First Name

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Job Title

(where relevant)

Organisation

(where relevant)

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(where relevant)

Part B – Please use a separate sheet for each representation

Name or Organisation : R.T Krykant

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

Paragraph

iv

Policy

CP 37

Proposals Map

3 page 7, 9

4. Do you consider the Local Plan is :

4.(1) Legally compliant

Yes

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No

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4.(2) Sound (Positively Prepared, Effective and Justified)

Yes

☐

No

X

4 (3) Complies with the Duty to co-operate

Yes

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No

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5. 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.

CP 37 – (iv) The areas of North Abingdon, Abingdon town centre and South Abingdon are already widely regarded as being heavily congested with motor traffic. The Highways Agency has stated that local roads and the A34 running through the area are at 'breaking point'. The Highways Agency have made it clear that a redesign of the Lodge Hill intersection on the A34 to provide south facing slip roads is not an option and in any case would do little to alleviate traffic congestion other than to funnel more vehicles onto the A34 where they can sit in a stationary queue.

The addition of a 1000 new houses will create anywhere in the region of 1500 to 2000 more cars in an area that suffers regular traffic gridlocks and jams. The North Abingdon peripheral road has been designed as a free flowing route to relieve traffic away from Abingdon town centre.

The town centre is seriously congested and suffers from very poor air quality subject to AQMA. Should the proposed 1000 houses be built in North Abingdon, the peripheral road will become a road through a housing estate requiring roundabouts, places for people to cross and with the high amount of local usage the speed will have to be limited.

All of this will place more and more pressure on the town centre and other 'cut through' roads ending in difficulty for residents of Abingdon. The proposal to build 1000 houses here is the 'easy' option, not very well thought out for present or future growth implications.

There is no local employment within walking or cycling distance. New jobs are envisaged to the south of Abingdon not within walking or cycling distance and not easily made by public transport. The majority of residents in North Abingdon drive in their motorcars all over the country to work not just Oxford City or South Abingdon.

I referred to the numbers of vehicles at each property as an average of 2 but this could very well double in ten years, the roads cannot keep up with natural growth let alone massive increases. The Vale 'Local Plan 2031' has not complied with CP 37 and is therefore not sound.

6. 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 at 5 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.

The Vale 'Local Plan 2013' proposal to build 1000 new houses in North Abingdon to be removed.

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.

7. If your representation is seeking a modification, do you consider it necessary to participate at the oral part of the examination?

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No, I do not wish to participate at the oral examination

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Yes, I wish to participate at the oral examination

8. If you wish to participate at the oral part of the examination, please outline why you consider this to be necessary: ☐

I wish to participate at the oral examination to challenge the 'Local Plan 2031'

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.

Signature:

Date:

15/12/2014