Vale of White Horse District Council	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:	

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*		2. Agent's Details (if applicable)
*If an agent is appointed, please com boxes below but complete the full com	plete only the Title, Name and Organisation ntact details of the agent in 2.	
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## Part B – Please use a separate sheet for each representation

Name or Organisation : Bluestone Planning Partnership LLP							
3. To which part of the Local Plan does this representation relate?							
Paragraph Policy	Core Policy 24	Proposals Map					
4. Do you consider the Local Plan is :							
4.(1) Legally compliant	Yes	X	No				
4.(2) Sound (Positively Prepared, Effective and Justified)	Yes		No	X			
4 (3) Complies with the Duty to co- operate	Yes	X	No				
Please mark as appropriate.							
<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>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.</li> </ul>							
As currently drafted, Core Policy 24 fails to reflect the recent ministerial announcement (by Brandon Lewis dated 28 November 2014) that excludes sites of 10 dwellings or less from having to provide affordable housing.							
Consequently the Plan is not justified and is inconsistent with national policy and it is thus unsound.							
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.							
By making the following changes, the Plan will reflect the government's policy on affordable housing for small developments.							
The changes proposed are as follows:							

Revise Core Policy 24 to fully reflect the government's policy on affordable housing for smaller developments (no requirement to provide any affordable housing for schemes of 10 dwellings or less).

**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.

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



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



**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:

Bluestone Planning wishes to be given the opportunity to appear at the oral part of the examination in public to debate these representations with the Local Planning Authority in front of the Inspector, should the opportunity arise.

**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:
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19 December 2014