

Comment

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Q1 Do you consider the Local Plan is Legally Compliant? Yes

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

If you think your comment relates to the DtC, this is about how we have worked with the Duty to Cooperate bodies (such as neighbouring planning authorities)

Q3 Do you consider the Local Plan complies with the Duty to Co-operate? Yes

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.

See Attachment.

Q5 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 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.

At present Core Policy 13 is unsound in the context of paragraph 182 of the NPPF.

As presently drafted neither Core Policy 13, nor the associated text, succinctly describe the exceptional circumstances that exist in the Vale of White Horse to revisit the present extent of the Green Belt boundary. Accordingly, a modification is required to render the Local Plan sound.

In order to strengthen Core Policy 13 we recommend a change to the policy wording to link the identification of site allocations in Core Policy 3 and Core Policy 4 to the Green Belt purposes described in Paragraph 80 of the NPPF.

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.

Q6 If your representation is seeking a modification, do you consider it necessary to participate at the oral part of the examination? Yes - I wish to participate at the oral examination

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.

Q7 If you wish to participate at the oral part of the examination, please outline why you consider this to be necessary:

The Local Plan raises the importance of delivering the City Deal. Redrow Homes is a key stakeholder in this process and feels that it is of vital importance that we participate in the examination hearings to explain and explore the critical strategic issue of housing delivery and appropriate Green Belt release, in the context of the NPPF and the City Deal.