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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)	Yes
If your comment(s) relate to a specific site within a core policy please select this from the drop down list.	North of Harwell Campus (East Hendred and Harwell Parishes)

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.

Benefits of Housing Development on Land to the North and North West of Harwell

61. The proposed enlarged housing allocation is a highly sustainable location for housing. The new residential development would be fully integrated with existing and future employment development and local services and facilities making access safe and easy. The site at East Harwell on the other hand is physically separated from the main Harwell Campus by the A4185 (Newbury Road) making access to services and facilities potentially problematic.

62. Land to the North and North West of Harwell is suitable for housing development as it is mainly a brownfield site within the existing campus, where there is capacity for the additional housing without compromising the Campus? primary focus on employment-generating development. It will also cause less harm to the AONB than development on adjacent green field land to the east of the A4185. The Partnership can also confirm that the site is available immediately for housing development and that it is unaware of any fundamental barriers to achieving/delivering housing on-site, as proposed. It is understood that the Hendred Estate will confirm the same in a separate submission.

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 Harwell Campus is central to the Council?s spatial and economic strategy. It is therefore vitally important that the Harwell Campus Partnership has an opportunity to present its objections to the draft local plan both orally and in writing.