



**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

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)

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Last Name

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Job Title

(where relevant)

Organisation

(where relevant)

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Telephone Number

E-mail Address

(where relevant)

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Paragraph

5.39,
5.40,
5.42,
6.82,
6.108,
6.111 ☐

Policy

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Proposals Map

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Yes

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No

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The green belt should be protected in its entirety.

I believe that Green Belt land should not be used unless all other avenues e.g. brownfield sites have been explored first. Much of the land to be used in the developments surrounding Abingdon is Green Belt land. This land is used informally for a range of recreational purposes including dog walking, walking and helps keep our children in touch with nature. Furthermore, it acts as a buffer between Abingdon and other towns and villages, preventing this area becoming a sprawling conurbation. The Green Belt's trees must surely help deal with the high levels of concentration that Abingdon suffers from.

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I have other concerns regarding the soundness of this development and its impact upon the community of Abingdon on Thames.

Infrastructure

I am concerned that the proposed developments lack the necessary infrastructure on the following levels:

- **Transport network**

- The lack of two way access at Lodge Hill on to the A34 is problematic for local residents at present, and increases the amount of traffic on Abingdon's roads. Such developments as those outlined in the local plan would surely result in an increase in the number of cars on Abingdon's roads. If the project were to go ahead, perhaps the phasing of the project could be done in such a way that the A34 be improved before the development, as this would keep construction traffic from the development off the town's already congested roads. I am deeply concerned that the necessary changes to Lodge Hill may not happen due to the funding cuts due to local and national Government policy. The need for this interchange is more acute, given that the lions share of the jobs are in the South of county, and well South of Abingdon.

- Any development the other side of Twelve Acre Drive would need to have safe places for people to cross the road. For example children may want to visit friends who live on developments on both sides of the road. As the developments do not appear to include a secondary school, children will need to be able to safely travel to secondary school from the proposed developments. Bridges, underpasses and crossings could be planned in to developments from the outset.

- **Education**

- The lack of school places in Abingdon, and North Abingdon in particular, is well documented. There is already a chronic shortage of primary school places. Children in this area regularly miss out on places at their catchment school, and also at other local schools the parents rank as their top three places. The County Council has tried to use “bulge classes” as a temporary measure to ensure there are sufficient places to cater for all of Abingdon’s children, however this is not a sustainable solution, and is unacceptable to local parents. Oxfordshire County Council is aware that there is a need for new primary school places at present. The Local Plan has shown a school on the plans. This school must be delivered as a matter of urgency, regardless of the outcome regarding any developments. If the developments contain a large number of family homes, the school may need to be considerably bigger. The phasing of the project could be planned so the school is built first, so that the school is able to cater for the many children who miss out on school places each year, and then other children join them as the development grows. I am also deeply concerned about the lack of mention of the provision for secondary education in the local plan. As Abingdon is currently experiencing a chronic shortage of primary school places, in years to come, this will inevitable become a shortage in secondary school places as the children currently in primary school go on to progress their school career in secondary education. The children who live on the proposed development will also need secondary school places, and the provision for these places must also be considered.

- **Community Facilities**

- There needs to be adequate community facilities. Perhaps a new adventure playground could be provided in the North of the town? There are some great ones in other developments in the county, such as Carterton.
- Could land be offered to local organisations to provide facilities e.g. Thames Ridge Scouts to have space and funds to set up a new Scout Group?
- There appears to be no shops or pubs on the development

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