

## **VALE OF WHITE HORSE LOCAL PLAN 2031 PART 1: SCHEDULE OF PROPOSED B.**

This Schedule accompanies the publication of Hearing Statements to support the Vale of White Horse Local Plan 2031 Part 1 Examination Stage 1 and lists the proposed major modifications.

The Schedule includes the following:

- The category the modification relates to in order to help the reader quickly identify what areas of the plan are proposed for modification
- The respondent (and Person ID) to make it clear who has proposed the modification
- Where relevant, the Policy Number, Paragraph Number and Page Number has been referenced (the Page Number refers to the page number within the Publication hard copy document)
- The proposed modification sets out the changes proposed. Deletions are strikethroughs and additions are Capitalised in Bold, and
- The reason for modification outlines the justification for the proposed amendment.

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# VALE OF WHITE HORSE LOCAL PLAN 2031 PART 1: SCHEDULE OF PROPOSED MAIN MODIFICATIONS

## CHAPTER 1

No.	Category	Respondent	Person ID	Policy No.	Para No.	Page No.	Proposed Major Modification	Reason for Modification
1.1	Policy	Vale of White Horse District Council  Barton Wilmore	N/A	CP2	N/A	Local Plan 18	Amended wording is proposed to CP2 – refer to Appendix 1.	To reflect wording set out in the Cherwell Local Plan Examination Planning Inspectors Report as agreed by the Vale of White Horse District Council and Oxfordshire County Council through their Statement of Common Ground.

## CHAPTER 6

No.	Category	Respondent	Person ID	Policy No.	Para No.	Page No.	Proposed Minor Change	Reason for Change
6.1	Policy and Supporting Text	Vale of White Horse District Council	N/A	CP40	6.101	Local Plan 119	<p>Proposed Modification to Core Policy 40 and supporting Text</p> <p><i>Add additional criteria to Policy as follows:</i></p> <p><b><u>vii New developments shall be designed to a water efficiency standard of 110 litres/head/day (l/h/d) for new homes.</u></b></p> <p><i>Amend Paragraph 6.1.1 as follows:</i></p> <p>The Housing Standards Review has indicated that the Government will put less emphasis in the Code for Sustainable Homes and will instead set equivalent standards through Building Regulations. Therefore, the Council does not set policy standards for the Code for Sustainable Homes. However, Government policy does still allow councils to choose to apply a local standard for water efficiency in advance of national standards. As the Vale is in an area of water stress,</p>	To reflect recommendations identified within the Water Cycle Study prepared in partnership with the Vale of White Horse District Council, the Environment Agency and Thames Water.

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							the Council <b><u>are applying a higher standard for water efficiency, as recommended within the Water Cycle Study.</u></b> will apply a higher standard for this matter in the Local Plan 2031 Part 2.	

## Appendix 1: Proposed Modification to Core Policy 2

### Core Policy 2: Cooperation on Unmet Housing Need for Oxfordshire

The Council will continue to fulfil its statutory **work under the** 'duty-to-cooperate by working effectively with all the other Oxfordshire local authorities in **on an ongoing basis to address** accordance with the Oxfordshire Statement of Cooperation to seek to jointly meet, in full the objectively assessed need for economic and housing growth across the Oxfordshire housing market area **and to meet joint commitments such as the Oxford and Oxfordshire City Deal (2014).**

**As a first step Vale of White Horse District Council has sought to accommodate the housing need for Vale of White Horse District in full in the Vale of White Horse Local Plan 2031 Part 1.** The 2014 Oxfordshire Strategic Housing Market Assessment (SHMA) identifies a significant level of housing need in Oxfordshire. The Council recognises that Oxford City may not be able to accommodate the whole of its new housing requirement for the 2011-2031 period within its administrative boundary. **At the time of preparing this Local Plan the urban capacity of Oxford is as yet unconfirmed.**

Whilst the extent to which Oxford City can meet its own needs is robustly tested and agreed, the Council will first seek to meet its own housing needs in full, to help ensure that the needs of both the district and the housing market area as a whole are met as quickly as possible.

In tandem, The Council will continue to work jointly **and proactively** with all of the other Oxfordshire local authorities **and through the Oxfordshire Growth Board to address any unmet housing need.** This will include assess ing all reasonable spatial options, including the release of brown field land, the potential for new settlements and a full strategic review of the whole boundaries of the Oxford Green Belt. These issues are not for the Council to consider in isolation. These options will need to be undertaken in accordance with national policy, national guidance, the **Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)** Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations, and the Habitats Regulations Assessment (**HRA**) to establish how and where any unmet need might best be accommodated within the Oxfordshire Housing Market Area.

If, following this joint work, it is identified and agreed, either through the Oxfordshire growth Board or through an adjoining local plan examination, that any unmet housing need is required to be accommodated within this district, the Council will either:

- undertake a full or focused partial review of the Local Plan 2031 or
- allocate appropriate housing sites through a subsequent development plan document in conformity with the Spatial Strategy set out in the Local Plan 2031.

The appropriate approach will depend on the scale of the unmet need to be accommodated.

**Joint work will need to comprehensively consider how spatial options could be supported by necessary infrastructure to ensure an integrated approach to the delivery of housing, jobs and services. Full public consultation will be central to a 'sound' process and outcome.**

**If this joint work reveals that Vale of White Horse and other Districts need to meet additional need for Oxford, this will trigger a partial review of the Local Plan, to be completed within two years of adoption, or if delayed, for the review to commence within six months of the unmet need being identified in the Vale of White Horse District. This will take the form of the preparation of a separate Development Plan Document for that part of unmet need to be accommodated in the Vale of White Horse District.**

**The Council will engage in joint working on supporting technical work such as countywide Sustainability Appraisal as required to support the identification of a sustainable approach to meeting agreed, unmet need.**

