

## SUPPORTING DOCUMENT

# PREFERRED OPTIONS CONSULTATION STATEMENT APPENDICES

## Joint Local Plan

Pre-submission Publication Version

(Regulation 19)



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## Appendix A: Parties consulted

### List of parties consulted on the Preferred Options Version of the Joint Local Plan 2041

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| 1Roof   Building Transparency        | Aston Rowant Church of England       |
| Abibike                              | Primary School                       |
| AbiBinit                             | Asylum Welcome                       |
| Abingdon & Witney College            | Atkins                               |
| Abingdon Against Litter              | Aureas School                        |
| Abingdon and Vale Triathlon Club     | Avison Young obo National Gas        |
| Abingdon Athletics Club              | Transmission                         |
| Abingdon Bowls Club                  | AWE Atomic Weapons Establishment     |
| Abingdon Carbon Cutters              | Badgemore Park                       |
| Abingdon Centre Netball Club and     | Badgemore Primary School             |
| Abingdon Vale Junior Netball Club    | Barclay Farms Estate                 |
| Abingdon Chamber                     | Barley Hill Church                   |
| Abingdon Community Church            | Barley Hill Primary School           |
| Abingdon Community Fridge            | Baulking Parish Meeting              |
| Abingdon Eagles                      | Beans Webs                           |
| Abingdon Fencing Club                | Beckley Church of England Primary    |
| Abingdon Free Wheeling Cycle Club    | School                               |
| Abingdon Green Gym                   | Beckley Community Orchard            |
| Abingdon Hockey Club                 | Benson Church of England Primary     |
| Abingdon Korfball                    | School                               |
| Abingdon Lawn Tennis Club            | Berks & Bucks FA                     |
| Abingdon Muslims                     | Berks Bucks & Oxon Golf              |
| Abingdon Riverside Table Tennis Club | Berks, Bucks & Oxon Counties Fencing |
| Abingdon Rowing Club                 | Union                                |
| Abingdon Squash Club                 | Berkshire West Integrated Care Board |
| Abingdon Vale Cricket Club           | Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and       |
| Abingdon Vale Swimming Club          | Oxfordshire Wildlife Trust           |
| Abingdon Youth Football Club         | Bishop of Dorchester - Diocese of    |
| Action for Children                  | Oxford                               |
| Active Oxfordshire                   | Bladon Church of England Primary     |
| Against Breast Cancer                | School                               |
| Alexandrine Press                    | Blandy & Blandy Solicitors           |
| All Saints                           | Blewbury C of E Primary School       |
| All Saints Church of England (Aided) | Blewbury Croquet Club                |
| Primary School                       | Blewbury Tennis Club                 |
| All Saints Methodist Church          | Botley Baptist Church                |
| Ancient Monument Society             | Bower Bailey                         |
| Appleton Church of England (A)       | Brightwell cum Sotwell CofE Primary  |
| Primary School                       | School                               |
| Appleton with Eaton Cricket Club     | BT                                   |
| Appleton with Eaton Tennis Club      | Buckinghamshire                      |
| Archway Foundation                   | Buckland Church of England Primary   |
| Armstrong Business Services          | School                               |
| Ashbury Primary School               | Buscot Park Archers                  |

Butterfly Conservation - Upper Thames Branch  
 Cadent Gas  
 Caldecott Primary School  
 Campaign for Cycling â€œ OCN  
 CAMRA  
 Canal & River Trust  
 Canal & River Trust South East  
 Canal River Trust  
 Carswell Community Primary School  
 Casework - SPAB  
 Caversham and District Residents' Association  
 Caversham GLOBE  
 CCG  
 Ceroc Dance Classes  
 Chalgrove Community Primary School  
 Challow Netball Club  
 Charlton Primary School  
 Checkendon CE (A) Primary School  
 Cherwell DC  
 Chiltern Society  
 Chilterns AONB Conservation Board  
 Chilton County Primary School  
 Chilton PTA Badminton Club  
 Chinnor & Thame Friends of the Earth  
 Chinnor Rugby Club  
 Chinnor Village Centre  
 Cholsey and Wallingford Railway  
 Cholsey Community Development Trust  
 Cholsey Pre-School  
 Cholsey Primary School  
 Christ Church  
 Citizen's Advice Thame  
 Civil Aviation Authority  
 Clifton Hampden CE Primary School  
 Community First Oxfordshire  
 Confederation of British Industry  
 Cotswold DC  
 Cottsway Housing Association  
 Country Land and Business Association (south east)  
 Countryside Alliance  
 CPRE Oxfordshire  
 CPRE Oxon  
 Crowmarsh Gifford CE Primary School  
 CTC Wantage  
 CTIL  
 Cumnor Church of England Primary School

Cumnor Conservation Group - Cumnor  
 Fit for the Future  
 Cumnor United Reformed Church  
 Deaf Direct  
 DEFRA  
 Dementia Friendly Abingdon  
 Department of Psychiatry - University of Oxford  
 Diamond Light Source Ltd  
 Didcot Allotment Society  
 Didcot First  
 Didcot Girls' School  
 Didcot Methodist Church  
 Didcot Phoenix Drama Group  
 Didcot Railway Centre  
 Didcot Rugby Club  
 Didcot Superstore - Sainsbury's  
 Didcot Table Tennis League  
 Diocese of Oxford  
 Dorchester St Birinus Primary School  
 DPDS Planning Consultancy and Architecture  
 Drayton Community Primary School  
 Dry Sandford Primary School  
 Dunmore Primary School  
 EE  
 Emmer Green Residents Association (EGRA)  
 England Netball  
 England's Economic Heartlands  
 English Martyrs  
 Europa School UK  
 Evenlode Badminton Club  
 Ewelme Church of England Primary School  
 Experience Oxfordshire  
 Facy - Henley  
 Faringdon Community Bus  
 Faringdon Community College  
 Faringdon Infant School  
 Faringdon Junior School  
 Faringdon RFC  
 Faringdon Tennis Club  
 Faringdon Town FC  
 Farringdon Library  
 Fields in Trust  
 First Edition Wallingford  
 Fish Volunteer Centre  
 Fitzharrys School  
 Fitzwaryn School



Forestry Commission South East  
 Fossil Free Oxfordshire  
 Friends of Abingdon  
 Friends, Families and Travellers  
 Frilford Heath Golf Club  
 Garsington Church of England Primary School  
 Gillotts School  
 Gloucestershire  
 Goring & Streatley Golf Club  
 Goring & Streatley Sustainability Group  
 Goring Gap Boat Club  
 Goring Primary School  
 Government  
 Great Western Park Residents' Association  
 Great Western Railway  
 Greenbroom Growers Co-operative  
 Greener Henley  
 Greening Chinnor  
 GreenSquareAccord  
 Group Against Reservoir Development  
 Grove Challengers  
 Grove Church of England Primary School  
 Grove Free Evangelical Church  
 Grundon: UK Waste Disposal & Waste Management Services  
 Gusto Homes  
 H and C Pearce and Sons  
 Harlequin Bowmen/Harlequin Junior Bowmen  
 Harwell and Chilton Churches  
 Harwell Badminton Club  
 Harwell Campus Bicycle User Group  
 Harwell Campus Bicycle Users Group  
 Harwell Community Primary School  
 Harwell Labs Lawn Tennis Club  
 Healthwatch Oxfordshire  
 Hedges Law  
 Hendred Estate  
 Hendreds Environment Group  
 Henley & District Agricultural Association  
 Henley Business Partnership  
 Henley Plastic Reduction  
 Hinksey Heights Golf Course  
 Historic England  
 Holy Trinity  
 Homes England

Horspath Church of England Primary School  
 HR Wallingford  
 Hurst Water Meadow Trust  
 Inland Waterways Association  
 Irvin Leisure  
 Jennifer Gerad Gallery  
 Jennings of Garsington  
 Jet Ladies Basketball Club  
 John Blandy Primary School  
 John Mason School  
 JPPC  
 Kennington Cricket Club  
 Kidmore End CE Primary School  
 Kingfisher Canoe Club  
 Kingfisher School  
 Kingston Bagpuize and Southmoor  
 Kingston Bagpuize & Southmoor Bowls Club  
 Kingston Bagpuize Cricket Club  
 Larkmead School  
 Letcombe Table Tennis Club  
 Lewknor Church of England Primary School  
 Liberal Democrats Wantage  
 Little Milton Church of England Primary School  
 Liz Gascoigne's art gallery  
 Long Furlong Primary School  
 Long Wittenham C of E Primary School  
 Longcot and Fernham Church of England Primary School  
 Longworth Runners  
 Longworth Undenominational Primary School  
 Lord Williams's School  
 Low Carbon Hub  
 LUTTRELL PRODUCTIONS  
 Lydalls Nursery School  
 Manor School  
 Marlborough Club Table Tennis Club  
 Marsh Baldon Church of England Primary School  
 Mary Norris  
 Matthew Arnold School  
 Mayor of London  
 MEPC Property Development & Investment  
 Methodist Church  
 Mike's Abingdon Badminton Club

Mill Lane Community Primary School  
 and Nursery  
 Millbrook House: Self-catering  
 accommodation  
 Millbrook Primary School  
 Millbrook School  
 Mind the Green Gap  
 Miss Poppy's Gymnastics, Abingdon  
 MOD  
 National Express  
 National Farmer's Union  
 National Federation of Gypsy Liaison  
 Groups  
 National Grid  
 National Highways  
 Natural England  
 Need not Greed Oxon  
 Neighbourhood Planning Services  
 Network Rail Infrastructure  
 NFU Mutual Wantage  
 NHS  
 NHS England  
 NHS Property Services  
 NOMAD Henley  
 North Abingdon Badminton Club  
 North Hinksey CofE Primary School,  
 North Wessex Downs Council of  
 Partners  
 Northamptonshire  
 Office for Rail and Road  
 ONR - Land use planning - Office for  
 Nuclear Regulation  
 Open Spaces Society  
 Our Lady & St Edmund of Abingdon  
 Outdoor Learning | Whitchurch  
 Preschool  
 Oxford Asian Cultural Association  
 Oxford Brookes University  
 Oxford Bus Company and Thames  
 Travel  
 Oxford City  
 Oxford Community Church  
 Oxford Economics  
 Oxford Innovation  
 Oxford Preservation Trust  
 Oxfordshire - Thames Valley Chamber  
 of Commerce  
 Oxfordshire Association for the Blind  
 Oxfordshire Association of Local  
 Councils

Oxfordshire Bat Group  
 Oxfordshire County Council  
 Oxfordshire Geology Trust  
 Oxfordshire History Centre  
 Oxfordshire Local Nature Partnership  
 Oxfordshire Mind  
 Oxfordshire Nature Conservation  
 Forum  
 Oxfordshire Play Association (OPA)  
 Oxfordshire Playing Fields Association  
 Oxfordshire Transport and Access  
 Group  
 OxLEP | Oxfordshire Local Enterprise  
 Partnership  
 Oxley Conservation  
 Patricia Newman  
 Peachcroft Christian Centre  
 Pendon Museum  
 Pettits of Wallingford  
 Planning Aid  
 Planning Potential  
 Plastic Free Didcot  
 Public Power Solutions  
 Q Gardens Farm Shop  
 R.A.L Rutherford  
 Racquets Fitness Centre  
 Radley Athletic Club  
 Radley CofE Primary School  
 Radley Golf Club  
 RAF Benson Community Primary  
 School  
 Rail Freight Group  
 Ramblers  
 Ramblers Association (no local branch  
 details)  
 Rapleys: A Property & Planning  
 Consultancy  
 RBWM  
 Reading Borough Council  
 Ricos Pizza Shack  
 Ridgeway National Trail Events  
 River Thame Conservation Trust  
 Rotherfield United Football Club  
 Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution  
 (RABI)  
 Rush Common School  
 Rycote Park  
 Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School  
 Saint Blaise CE Primary School

Science and Technology Facilities  
 Council  
 SESI  
 SGN Gas  
 SharingLife Trust  
 Shellingford Church of England School  
 Shellingford Neighbourhood Forum  
 Shiplake Church of England Primary  
 School  
 Shotover Wildlife  
 Shrivenham Church of England Primary  
 School  
 Shrivenham FC  
 Shrivenham Tennis Club  
 Simmons & Sons  
 SMASH Junior Badminton Club  
 Smith Jenkins Ltd  
 Soha Housing  
 Solafields  
 South Moreton School  
 South Oxfordshire  
 South Oxfordshire Business Network  
 South Oxfordshire Recovery Group -  
 Restore  
 South Stoke Primary School  
 Sovereign Housing Association  
 Sport England  
 SSEN  
 St Amand's Catholic Primary School  
 St Andrew's Church  
 St Andrew's Church of England Primary  
 School  
 St Andrew's Church, Dean Court  
 St Augustine of Canterbury  
 St Birinus School  
 St Denys  
 St Edmund Campion  
 St Edmund's Catholic Primary School  
 St Faith  
 St James Church of England Primary  
 School  
 St James the Great  
 St John the Baptist  
 St John's Primary School Wallingford  
 St Laurence Church Of England  
 St Lawrence's Church  
 St Leonard's Church  
 St Luke's, Garford  
 St Mary Le More  
 St Mary the Virgin

St Mary's  
 St Mary's, Upton  
 St Michael & All Angels  
 St Michael's Church of England  
 Primary School  
 St Nicholas Church  
 St Nicholas CofE Infants' School  
 St Peter's Church  
 St Peter's Didcot  
 St Swithun's Church of England  
 Primary School  
 St Thomas More  
 St. Mary's, Barton, Sandhills & Barton  
 Park  
 Stadhampton Primary School  
 Stagecoach Oxfordshire  
 Stanford In The Vale Primary School  
 Stephen Freeman Community Primary  
 School  
 Stockham Primary School  
 Stoke Row C.E. Primary School  
 Sunningwell Church of England  
 Primary School  
 Sunningwell Cricket Club  
 Sustainable Didcot  
 Sustainable Harwell  
 Sustainable Shrivenham  
 Sustainable Wantage  
 Sustainable Wheatley  
 Sustrans  
 Sustainable Blewbury  
 Sutton Courtenay Church of England  
 Primary School  
 Sutton Table Tennis Club  
 Swindon BC  
 Tappins Coaches  
 Temple Island - Henley Royal Regatta  
 Tetra Tech  
 Tetsworth Primary School  
 Thame & District Classic Motor Club  
 Thame Business Forum  
 Thame Chamber Choir  
 Thame Duellists Fencing Club  
 Thame Players  
 Thame Speakers Club  
 Thame Valley Orienteering Club  
 Thames Valley Branch - Railfuture  
 Thames Valley Chamber  
 Thames Valley Police - Neighbourhood  
 Policing

Thames Water  
 Thameside Primary School  
 The British Hedgehog Preservation Society (BHPS)  
 The British Red Cross  
 The Chiltern Society  
 The Chilterns Conservation Board  
 The Cholsey Silver Band  
 the Coal Authority  
 The Didcot Volunteer Centre  
 the Environment Agency  
 The Gardens Trust  
 The Georgian Group  
 The Goring And Streatley Concert Band  
 The Hendreds Church of England Primary School  
 The Henley Society  
 The Historic Building and Monuments Commission for England  
 The Hurlingham Polo Association, Faringdon  
 The John Hampden Society  
 The Marine Management Organisation  
 The Oxfordshire Animal Sanctuary  
 The Planning Bureau  
 The Point to Point Authority Ltd, Watchfield  
 The Redeemed Christian Church Of God - Salvation House  
 The Ridgeway C.E. Primary School  
 The Royal British Legion  
 The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB)  
 The Salvation Army  
 The Stonehill Community Garden  
 The Twentieth Century Society  
 The Forestry Commission  
 Theatres Trust  
 Thomas Merrifield  
 Thomas Reade Primary School  
 Tourism South East  
 TransOxford  
 Transport for London  
 Trinity (Methodist) Church  
 Trinity Church of England Primary School  
 Tyler Parkes Planning & Architecture  
 Uffington Church of England School  
 UK Atomic Energy Authority  
 UK Power Networks

UK Centre for Ecology & Hydrology  
 University of Oxford. Local Government and Community Relations Officer in the Public Affairs Department,  
 University of Reading  
 Upton Village Table Tennis Club  
 Vail Williams: Property Consultants  
 Vale Netball Club  
 Vale of White Horse Rambling Club  
 Vale Tridents Junior Triathlon Club  
 Valley Road Primary School  
 Varsity Town Planning  
 Wallingford Baptist Church  
 Wallingford Christian Assembly  
 Wallingford Medical Practice  
 Wallingford Methodist Church  
 Wallingford Netball Club  
 Wallingford School  
 Wallingford Sports Park  
 Wallingford squash club  
 Wallingford Town AFC  
 Wantage Church of England Primary School  
 Wantage Citizens Advice  
 Wantage Juniors  
 Wantage Methodist Church  
 Wantage Primary Academy  
 Wantage Tai Kwondo Martial Arts  
 Wantage White Horses Swimming Club  
 Warwickshire  
 Watchfield Primary School  
 Waterperry Shooting  
 Waterstock Golf Club  
 Watlington Business Association  
 Watlington Climate Action Group  
 Watlington Environment Group  
 Watlington Primary School  
 Watlington Tennis Club  
 Weavaway Travel  
 WebbPaton Rural and Commercial Valuers  
 Welcome to St Nicholas C of E Primary School East Challow  
 West Berks  
 West Oxfordshire  
 Westmill Solar Co-Operative  
 Wheatley CE Primary School  
 Wheatley Park School  
 White Horse Croquet Club  
 White Horse Harriers (Junior Section)



Wild Oxfordshire (Comms Officer)  
Williams Jet Tenders  
Wilts & Berks Canal Trust  
Wiltshire  
Wokingham  
Woodcote Primary School  
Woodland Trust  
Wootton St. Peter's CE Primary School  
Wycombe planning  
Wytham Cricket Club  
Yeo Valley Organic

## Appendix B: Email notifications about the consultation

## Main email

### We'd like your views on the Joint Local Plan Preferred Options

You're invited to join the conversation and share your thoughts on our work towards the Joint Local Plan 2041.

Using feedback from our first Joint Local Plan consultation in 2022 and a range of new research, we've drawn up different options and drafted new planning policies that help address the climate emergency, protect and restore nature, and meet the needs of our residents. And now, we want to hear from you!

We invite you to view our proposed approaches and share your thoughts across a range of topics, including:



Climate



Housing  
and jobs



Environment



Community  
facilities



And more!

We are also holding a number of drop-in events across both districts. Find out more by clicking the 'click here to join the conversation!' button below.

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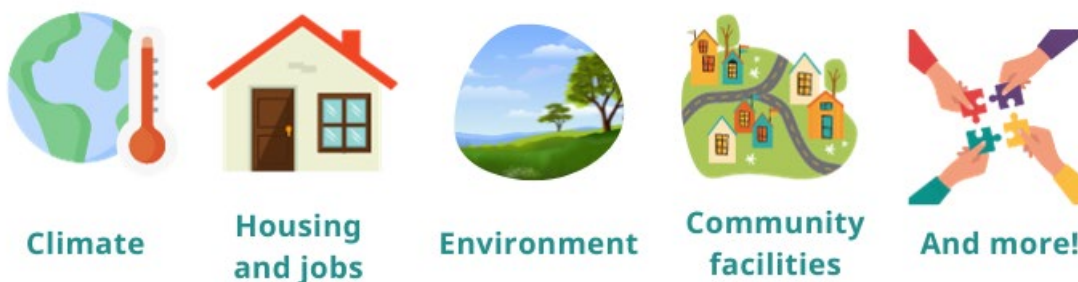
## Statutory consultee email

### We're consulting you on our Joint Local Plan Preferred Options consultation

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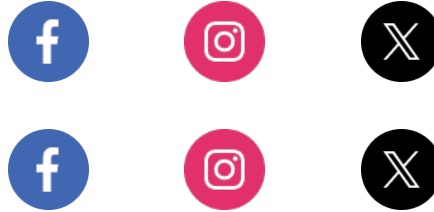
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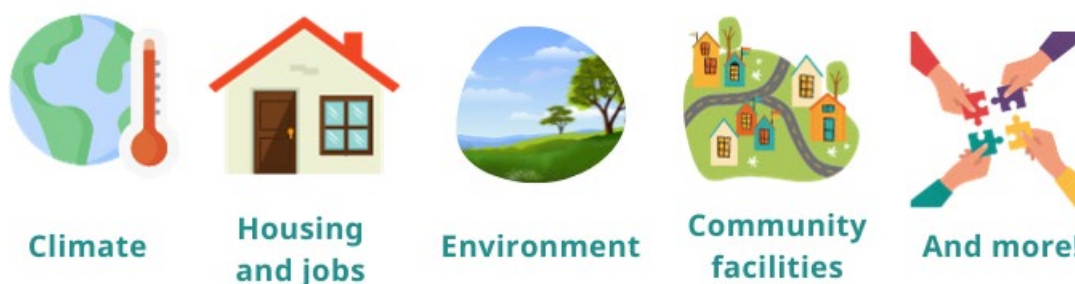
## Town and Parish Council email

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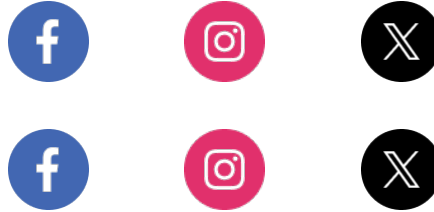


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We will also be sending you a follow up email with more information and supporting documents to help you get your town/parish involved in this consultation, so please look out for that in your inbox.

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## Town and Parish Council nearby consultation event email

Dear Clerk,

Following our recent email to you sent on 10 January 2024 inviting you to join the conversation and share your thoughts on our emerging Joint Local Plan 2041, we wanted to bring to your attention a specific Joint Local Plan consultation event that we are holding in your parish:

**Event:** Joint Local Plan drop-in consultation event

**Date:** Wednesday 24 January

**Time:** 3pm-8pm

**Location:** Shippon Village Hall, opposite Prince of Wales pub, Barrow Road, OX13 6JQ

This event is an opportunity for residents of your parish to chat with us, ask questions and have a say on the Joint Local Plan. It is also an opportunity for your parish to find out more and discuss with us the Dalton Barracks site allocation.

We are also hosting nine other drop-in events around South and Vale. The next nearest event to your parish is in Abingdon on Saturday 3 February. You can find information on all the drop-in events we are hosting on our website at [southandvale.gov.uk/JLP](https://southandvale.gov.uk/JLP).

Please do spread the word to those within your parish and bring these events to their attention.

We hope to see you there!

If you have any questions, please get in touch.

Kind regards,

The Planning Policy Team

## Town and Parish Council consultation response form email

### Further information regarding South and Vale's Joint Local Plan Preferred Options consultation

Dear Clerk,

We recently sent to you an email where we invited your council to [join the conversation](#) and share your thoughts on our work towards the Joint Local Plan 2041.

We are following up to share with you the attached consultation response forms in case they are useful to use to agree your draft response within your town or parish council. There are two response forms attached, and you can choose either or both to have your say:

- **The Joint Local Plan in a Nutshell survey:** read summaries of our preferred options across key topics - for a quicker way to have your say.
- **The full Preferred Options survey:** comment on the policy options, preferred options, draft policies, supporting documents and emerging policies map - to provide a more in-depth response.

We request that when you come to submit your response, that you do so online as this saves paper and reduces admin costs. You can submit your response using our online survey by visiting [southandvale.gov.uk/JLP](https://southandvale.gov.uk/JLP).

Please remember to submit your response by **21 February 2024 at 11:59pm**.

You can also join us at one of our drop-in events to chat with us, ask questions and have your say:

| Location           | Date                    | Time          | Venue   |
|--------------------|-------------------------|---------------|---|
| Sandford-on-Thames | Saturday<br>20 January  | 1pm –<br>4pm  | Sandford Village Hall, Henley Road, OX4 4YN   |
| Shippon            | Wednesday<br>24 January | 3pm –<br>8pm  | Shippon Village Hall, Barrow Road, opposite Prince of Wales pub, OX13 6JQ                   |
| Wallingford        | Thursday<br>25 January  | 3pm –<br>8pm  | Centre 70, Wallingford Community Association Hall, off Kinecroft, Goldsmiths Lane, OX10 0DT |
| Henley-on-Thames   | Saturday<br>27 January  | 11am –<br>4pm | Henley Town Hall, Market Place, Henley RG9 2AG  |
| Thame              | Tuesday 30<br>January   | 11am –<br>4pm | Candelo Lounge, 102 High Street, Thame, OX9 3DU   |

|                      |                            |               |  |
|----------------------|----------------------------|---------------|--|
| Wantage              | Wednesday<br>31 January    | 11am –<br>4pm | The Beacon, Community Centre,<br>Portway, Wantage OX12 9BX                       |
| Abingdon             | Saturday 3<br>February     | 11am –<br>4pm | Pablo Lounge, Abbey Shopping<br>Centre, 1-3 Bury Street,<br>Abingdon, OX14 3QY   |
| Crowmarsh<br>Gifford | Monday 5<br>February       | 11am –<br>4pm | Crowmarsh Village Hall, Benson<br>Lane, Crowmarsh Gifford, OX10<br>8ED           |
| Faringdon            | Tuesday 6<br>February      | 11am –<br>4pm | Faringdon Town Hall, The Pump<br>House, 5 Market Place,<br>Faringdon SN7 7HL     |
| Didcot               | Saturday<br>10<br>February | 11am –<br>4pm | Berro Lounge, Orchard Shopping<br>Centre, 44 Orchard Street,<br>Didcot, OX11 7LG |

We'd also be grateful if you could spread the word within your community about the consultation and our upcoming events by circulating the attached poster via email, newsletters, social media and more, and also printing it off and putting it on your local noticeboard or somewhere similarly suitable for people to view.

We thank you for your help in raising awareness of our consultation – we need as many voices as possible to help us deliver a Joint Local Plan that truly reflects the needs of our community.

Kind regards,

The Planning Policy Team

## Duty to Cooperate bodies email

### Reminder to Duty to Cooperate bodies: We're consulting you on our Joint Local Plan Preferred Options consultation

Good afternoon,

We recently emailed you to remind you that we'd like to hear your thoughts on our work towards the Joint Local Plan 2041.

As you are a Duty to Cooperate body, we'd also like to ask if from what you may have seen of the plan or the interim Duty to Cooperate Statement, you would like to hold a meeting with us about their content or if you would want to engage with us to prepare a Statement of Common Ground? If so, please let us know with a reply to this email.

Please also note the new longer closing date of **Monday 26 February at 11:59pm**.

Kind regards,



## Invitation to Didcot Civic Hall event



### South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse Joint Local Plan 2041

## Come and join us at Didcot Civic Hall!

Hello!

We are excited to invite you to an important invitation-only consultation event regarding South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Councils' Joint Local Plan.

We've been busy working on our vision for the future, and we need your help. Your insights and perspectives are invaluable to us, and your participation will help shape a local plan that truly reflects the needs and aspirations of your community.



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## Event details

Date: Thursday 8th February 2024

Time: arrival with tea and coffee from 14:00, event runs from 14:30 to 17:00

Venue: Didcot Civic Hall, Britwell Road, OX11 7JN. [www.didcot.gov.uk/didcot-civic-hall1](http://www.didcot.gov.uk/didcot-civic-hall1)

[Click here to register](#)

Please confirm your attendance by **Wednesday 31 January 11:59pm**.

It's important for us to make the Joint Local Plan consultation as accessible as possible. If you're interested in this event but are unable to attend in-person, please let us know on the registration form so that we can provide an alternative way to make the content accessible for you.

Tea and coffee will be provided. The venue is wheelchair accessible and the opening presentations will be British Sign Language (BSL) interpreted. Please advise if you have any additional access requirements.

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## What is a Local Plan?

A local plan looks ahead fifteen years and plans how much development is needed in an area, like new homes, jobs, roads and schools, and where they should go. It also sets standards for housing, environmental protection, sustainability, water quality and much more. South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Councils are working together to produce a new Joint Local Plan.

### **Who is the event for?**

This invitation-only, informal event is geared towards local disability groups, faith groups and marginalised communities, and the content is tailored for people who are not familiar with local development plans. We will provide an overview of the Joint Local Plan, including its vision, objectives and key themes, and our proposed approaches to topics such as climate action, sustainability, nature recovery, affordable housing, sites for development, travel and transport, and more. You'll then have an opportunity to tell us how our plans might be amended to better support the community you represent.

This will be a dynamic event with a range of formats including presentations, a policy exhibition and an informal networking session so you can share perspectives and ideas with other people who live and work in your local area.

Further information regarding the current Joint Local Plan consultation is provided at [www.southandvale.gov.uk/JLP](http://www.southandvale.gov.uk/JLP) which runs until 11:59pm on 21 February 2024.

We hope you can join us at this event, and look forward to working with you to create a vibrant and sustainable future for the people who live and work in

South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse districts.

Kind regards

**XXX**

Planning Policy Team Leader

South Oxfordshire District Council & Vale of White Horse District Council

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If you have any questions, either regarding the event itself or the Joint Local Plan more broadly, please do not hesitate to contact Oliver Moore at [oliver.moore@southandvale.gov.uk](mailto:oliver.moore@southandvale.gov.uk)

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#### **Data protection**

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#### **Want to unsubscribe or change your preferences?**

Please click on the links below. Please note, we may still need to contact you for certain consultations if we have a legal obligation to do so. [update your preferences](#) or [unsubscribe](#).

## Staff email

Hi everyone,

Today, we're pleased to launch our Joint Local Plan 2041 Preferred Options consultation and invite you to join the conversation for the future of our districts.

Using feedback from our [first Issues consultation in 2022](#) and a range of new research, we've drawn up different options and drafted innovative new planning policies that help address the climate emergency, protect and restore nature, and meet the needs of our residents. We encourage you to review our proposed policies and share your thoughts.

We also encourage you to share this news with your professional networks, along with your friends and family in the districts to have their say. We need as many voices as possible to help us deliver a Joint Local Plan that truly reflects the needs of our community!

The consultation will run for six weeks, closing at 11.59pm on 21 February 2024. The Planning Policy team will also be running drop-in events at locations across South and Vale over January and February. Find out more and join the conversation on the [Preferred Options Consultation webpage](#).

### Communications

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## Appendix C: Letter notifications about the consultation

### Policy and Programmes

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Abbey House, Abbey Close, Abingdon,  
OXON, OX14 3JE

Wednesday 10 January 2024

Dear **Name**

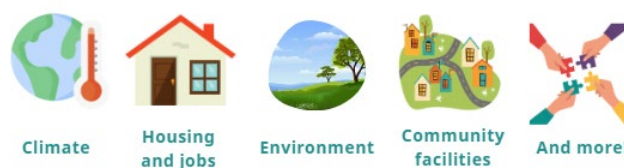
### We'd like your views on the Joint Local Plan Preferred Options

You're invited to join the conversation and share your thoughts on our work towards the Joint Local Plan 2041.

South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Councils are working together to deliver the Joint Local Plan. The Joint Local Plan will guide what kinds of new housing and jobs are needed and where they should go, informing planning application decisions for the districts. It will also set standards for environmental protection, sustainability, water quality and much more.

Using feedback from our first Joint Local Plan consultation in 2022 and a range of new research, we've drafted new planning policies to help unlock future opportunities, address challenges we face, and help our districts reach their full potential. And now, we want to hear from you!

We invite you to view our proposed approaches and share your thoughts across a range of topics, including:



[www.southoxon.gov.uk](http://www.southoxon.gov.uk) [www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk](http://www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk)



The consultation will run from **10 January 2024 until 21 February 2024 at 11:59pm.**

## How to view the consultation documents

Printed surveys and the following consultation documents have been made available in all libraries across both districts:

- Joint Local Plan in a Nutshell Document – this document provides summaries of our preferred policy options across key topics
- Joint Local Plan Preferred Options Document – this contains the full details of the policy options, preferred options and draft policies
- Sustainability Appraisal (SA) and Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)
- Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) Preliminary Screening Report
- Emerging Policies Map

There will also be paper copies of consultation documents at the district councils' offices at Abbey House, Abingdon, the Beacon, Wantage, and Cornerstone Arts Centre and Great Western Park District Neighbourhood Community Centre in Didcot.

You can also view the materials online at:

[www.southandvale.gov.uk/JLP](http://www.southandvale.gov.uk/JLP) or by scanning the QR code.



## How to take part

Are you ready to play a direct role in shaping the future of our districts? There are two ways to have your say:

- **The Joint Local Plan in a Nutshell survey:** read summaries of our preferred options across key topics for a quicker way to have your say.
- **The full Preferred Options survey:** read the full details of the policy options, preferred options and draft policies and comment to provide a more in-depth response.

## Where to get started

1. **Answer online:** join the conversation by visiting [southandvale.gov.uk/JLP](http://southandvale.gov.uk/JLP) to find out more and have your say.
2. **Answer on paper.** You can also respond on paper, although we'd prefer you choose to respond via our online survey, as this saves paper and reduces admin costs for the taxpayer. You can use a paper response form found in the libraries, council officers and other locations listed above (or available by calling **01235 422600**), fill it in and send it back to us to **Freepost SOUTH AND VALE CONSULTATIONS** (no other address information or stamp is needed).

## In-person events

Join us at one of our in-person events to chat with us, ask questions and have your say.

| Location           | Date                 | Time       | Venue   |
|--------------------|----------------------|------------|---|
| Sandford-on-Thames | Saturday 20 January  | 1pm – 4pm  | Sandford Village Hall, Henley Road, OX4 4YN   |
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| Didcot             | Saturday 10 February | 11am – 4pm | Berro Lounge, Orchard Shopping Centre, 44 Orchard Street, Didcot, OX11 7LG                  |

## What happens next

We'll review all the comments we receive and summarise them in a consultation statement. Your views will help shape the draft of the Joint Local Plan for South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse. In Autumn 2024, we expect to publish a full draft of our Joint Local Plan (the Proposed Submission Joint Local Plan) for a further stage of public comments. After this we will submit the draft plan and the comments for an independent planning inspector to examine the plan.

We look forward to hearing your views.

Kind regards

**XXX**

**Planning Policy Team Leader**

South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Councils



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**Opt out:** If you do not wish to receive further letters like this from us, please email **[jointheconversation@southandvale.gov.uk](mailto:jointheconversation@southandvale.gov.uk)** or call **01235 422425** and you will be removed from our consultation mailing list. Please note, we may still need to contact you for certain consultations if we have a legal obligation to do so.


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## Appendix D: Online and social media notifications

### OCVA advert

**South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Councils – Join the community consultation event on the Joint Local Plan 08/02/24**

February 1, 2024

**South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse  
Joint Local Plan 2041**

Please join us for a special community consultation event on 8 February at Didcot Civic Hall. This British Sign Language interpreted event is free of charge and provides an introduction to South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Councils' Joint Local Plan. We are reaching out to disability groups, faith groups and other communities who are often under-represented in planning policy consultations so that our Joint Local Plan reflects the needs and interests of as diverse a range of people as possible. The content is tailored for people who have no prior knowledge of local plans and plan-making, with the aim of making it more accessible for people who experience barriers to participation. This event is for community groups based or operating in South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse districts.

**What is a local plan?**

A local plan looks ahead fifteen years and plans how much development is needed in an area, like new homes, jobs, roads, schools and other facilities, and where they should go. It also sets standards for housing, environmental protection, sustainability, water quality and much more. This event is an opportunity for you to join the conversation and let us know what is important for your community.


**Event details:**

**Date:** Thursday 8 February 2024

**Time:** arrival with tea and coffee from 14:00, event runs from 14:30 to 17:00

**Venue:** Didcot Civic Hall, Drifwell Road, OX11 7JN. Full details about the venue, including accessibility provision, can be found here: [www.didcot.gov.uk/didcot-civic-hall/](http://www.didcot.gov.uk/didcot-civic-hall/)

**Please register using this link** <https://theconsultation.southoxon.gov.uk/corporate-services/9a3f6cd3> **by Wednesday 7 February** to confirm your attendance. Tea and coffee will be provided. The venue is wheelchair accessible and the opening presentations will be British Sign Language (BSL) interpreted. Please advise if you have any additional access requirements or are facing any barriers to participation.

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Joint Local Plan 2041**

<https://ocva.org.uk/2024/02/01/south-oxfordshire-and-vale-of-white-horse-district-councils-join-the-community-consultation-event-on-the-joint-local-plan-08-02-24/>

## Press release

# Building our tomorrow together – join the conversation to help shape the future of our districts

Requiring sustainable development; protecting and enhancing our countryside; setting higher energy efficiency standards for new buildings; and prioritising more sustainable transport options – these are all benefits planned for South Oxfordshire and the Vale of White Horse, and everyone is being invited to join the conversation.

Innovative draft policies to address local challenges and unlock future opportunities across the two districts have been published for community feedback, as part of the councils' work to deliver their Joint Local Plan 2041.

The six-week consultation launches today 10 January and will run until 11.59pm on 21 February 2024. Visit [southandvale.gov.uk/JLP](https://southandvale.gov.uk/JLP) to find out more and have your say.

Among many topics the Joint Local Plan covers are some updated, new and innovative approaches such as:

More of the housing built in the districts to be affordable housing to help those struggling to get on the property ladder.

- Setting ambitious targets, beyond the national standards, to ensure developments positively contribute to the local environment and wildlife, and deliver on climate action.
- New policies to identify and enhance our most tranquil places, and protect our dark skies by minimising light pollution for both residents and wildlife.

The two councils are working together to deliver the Joint Local Plan, which will set out what development should be allowed and where, help guide decision-making for planning applications, and set standards for environmental protection, sustainability, water quality and much more, for the years until 2041.

Councillor Anne-Marie Simpson, Cabinet Member for Planning at South Oxfordshire District Council, said: "The Joint Local Plan is one of the most important documents we deliver as a council and has a lasting impact on our community. That's why we need everyone across the districts to join the conversation and actively participate in this process to help shape our future.

"We had a great response to our first Joint Local Plan consultation, so I'm excited to share our proposed approaches with the community, highlight how your previous feedback has shaped our work, and showcase our plans to benefit our community, economy, and environment."

Councillor Andy Foulsham, Cabinet Member for Corporate Services, Policy and Programmes at Vale of White Horse District Council, said: “Using your previous feedback and a range of new research, we’ve developed these innovative policies to take action on your most important priorities, like protecting our countryside and climate action.

“A local plan takes years to develop and so it’s important we regularly check in with residents and local businesses throughout the process to make sure we’re delivering a Plan that truly represents our community. We really welcome comments on what our Joint Local Plan to 2041 should contain.”

[Using the interactive online hub](#), users can navigate through the Joint Local Plan topics that matter most to them; view proposed approaches, draft policies and supporting evidence documents, and explore interactive maps to see site allocations, where policies apply and more.

There are two ways for people to [share their feedback online](#) depending on how much detail they want to get into:

The Joint Local Plan in a Nutshell survey features short summaries of the councils’ proposed options across key topics to help make it quick and easy to take part.

1. There’s also a Preferred Options document survey for those wanting to comment on specific policy areas and delve into the details of the draft policies to provide a more in-depth response.

The councils will also be out and about across the districts during January and February, with a host of local events. People can come and find out more about the plan, chat with council officers and members, ask questions and find out how to give feedback.

There will also be paper copies of consultation documents around the districts’ libraries, as well as at Abbey House, Abingdon, the Beacon, Wantage, and Cornerstone Arts Centre and Great Western Park District Neighbourhood Community Centre in Didcot, giving residents less comfortable with the internet the chance to take part as well.

Councillor Simpson said: “We want to make it as easy as possible for you to share your thoughts, so whether you prefer online or print, we can’t wait to hear your views.”

Councillor Andy Foulsham added: “We also encourage you to share the consultation with your friends, family, and neighbours to spread the word and get as many voices as possible to join the conversation.”

### **In-person events:**

Drop in to one of our in-person events to chat with us, ask questions and join the conversation. Find out more on the [consultation webpage](#):

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## Facebook and X (formerly Twitter) feeds

### Final flyer





**We want your thoughts social media graphic**

**South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse**

# **Joint Local Plan 2041**

**We want your thoughts on our  
plans for the future!**





# Affordable housing



**We propose to:** increase the amount of affordable homes that developers must deliver in our districts.

Percentage of homes on larger sites that should be affordable:

## Current local plans

South Oxfordshire:

**40%**

Vale of White Horse:

**35%**



## Proposed approach

South Oxfordshire:

**50%**

Vale of White Horse:

**50%**

## Webpage graphics

### Events promo



We're coming to  
**Sandford-on-Thames**

 Join our local plan  
**drop-in event** and  
share your thoughts!

### Facebook event header



**Join the conversation!**  
[www.southandvale.gov.uk/JLP](http://www.southandvale.gov.uk/JLP)

South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse  
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## JLP background



## JLP Preferred Options topics



Climate



Housing  
and jobs



Environment



Community  
facilities

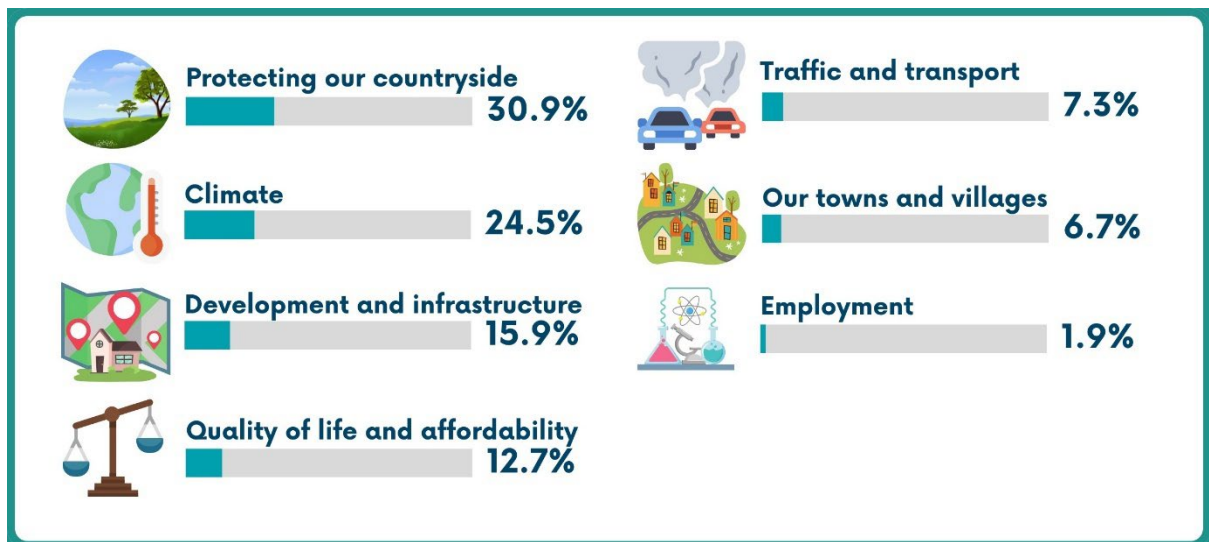


And more!

## JLP Word Cloud



## Launch video – priorities



## Screenshot – laptop



Listening Learning Leading



Joint Local Plan Preferred Optio...

Policies Map



# Joint Local Plan

## Preferred Options Consultation

(Regulation 18 Part 2)



## Appendix E: Poster



### JOIN THE CONVERSATION!

Take a look at proposals and draft policies for our new Joint Local Plan to address local challenges and unlock future opportunities, including:



Climate



Housing  
and jobs



Environment



Community  
facilities



And more!

View the documents, find out more information on local events and complete the survey before 11.59pm on 26 February 2024:

**[www.southandvale.gov.uk/JLP](http://www.southandvale.gov.uk/JLP)**



You can also access printed documents at your local library, the district council offices, the Beacon in Wantage, Cornerstone in Didcot, or the Great Western Park District Community Centre in Didcot.

#### Drop-in events:

Sandford-on-Thames: 20 Jan  
Wallingford: 25 Jan  
Thame: 30 Jan  
Abingdon: 3 Feb  
Faringdon: 6 Feb

Shippon: 24 Jan  
Henley-on-Thames: 27 Jan  
Wantage: 31 Jan  
Crowmarsh Gifford: 5 Feb  
Didcot: 10 Feb

South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse  
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## Appendix F: Exhibition materials

### Exhibition boards

South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse  
**Joint Local Plan 2041**

# EXHIBITION BOARDS

## Joint Local Plan

Preferred Options Consultation  
(Regulation 18 Part 2)



January 2024

## South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse Joint Local Plan 2041

### What is a Local Plan & how can I get involved?

A Local Plan looks ahead fifteen years and plans how much development is needed in an area, like new homes, jobs, roads and schools, and where they should go. South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Councils are working together to produce a new Joint Local Plan.

This plan will be different from the last Local Plans for our area, in particular it doesn't need to plan for the same scale of growth as last time. Our focus will be to continue to build out most of the sites already planned, consider development on new brownfield sites, and make sure the new policies are stronger on zero carbon development, nature recovery, protecting the countryside and providing facilities for communities.

There are two ways to have your say:



#### Joint Local Plan preparation timeline



We have previously consulted on the main issues facing our districts and how we could use the Joint Local Plan to address them. We would now like your views on our "Preferred Options" for the new plan, and the accompanying Sustainability Appraisal.

As part of the councils' work to develop the Joint Local Plan 2041, this consultation asks for community and stakeholder views on our preferred options and draft policies to help address local challenges and unlock future opportunities across the two districts.

### What is our vision for the Joint Local Plan?

- Our vision is for **carbon neutral** districts, for current and future generations.
- For this to be a place where **nature** is thriving, and nature reserves are no longer isolated pockets. A place where history is still visible, where heritage and landscape character are safeguarded and valued, and the beauty and the distinctive local identity of our countryside, towns and villages have been enhanced.
- A place where people can thrive. Where people have housing choices they can afford, where villages, market towns and garden communities are diverse and inclusive places where people of all ages and backgrounds can live together.
- A place where residents can reach the facilities they need for everyday living on foot, bicycle, wheeling, public transport or by zero-emission and low carbon transport choices.
- Where residents and visitors can live **healthy lifestyles** and access greenspace. Where people are safe from pollution, flooding, and the effects of climate change.
- Where there are valuable and rewarding jobs, embracing clean technologies and growing the opportunities in Science Vale for the districts to contribute on a national and international scale to solving pressing global issues.

For further information visit - <https://jlp.southandvale.gov.uk/>



## South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse Joint Local Plan 2041

### Net zero carbon development



We'd like to raise standards of development so that future new buildings use less energy, are more climate-change friendly and cheaper to run. This is likely to mean that new buildings are built to be highly energy-efficient and include renewable energy technology like solar panels and heat pumps.



We want to go further than our current plans and deliver new development that is truly net zero across both districts\*. A net zero carbon building is one where 100% of its energy demand is met by on-site renewable energy.



Reducing carbon emissions against those set out in Building Regulations has its flaws, because Building Regulations only count regulated energy (fixed building services, such as heating), which only accounts for 50% of the carbon emissions of a building.



Unregulated energy (energy from plug-in appliances) is not covered by the current Building Regulations, nor is the carbon associated with the processes and materials used to construct those buildings, known as embodied carbon. As our current policy approach doesn't cover unregulated energy or embodied carbon, it won't achieve truly net zero carbon buildings.



Therefore, we want to introduce a policy that deals with all of the carbon associated with new buildings, setting the highest standards possible to deliver true net zero carbon buildings, while not making it too expensive for development to go ahead.



#### Question:

Do you think the Joint Local Plan should be raising standards to achieve net zero carbon development across South and Vale?

\* We will review our approach in the light of the Written Ministerial Statement entitled 'Planning - Local Energy Efficiency Standards Update' dated 13 December 2023'

Key policies to find out more: Policy CE2: Net Zero Carbon Buildings, Policy CE3: Reducing Embodied Carbon

## South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse Joint Local Plan 2041

### Where will development go?

Our spatial strategy is an important policy at the heart of the Joint Local Plan. It sets out clearly where new development like housing and employment will be supported and where it will be limited so that it meets the objectives of the plan, like encouraging sustainable travel and protecting our communities and the environment.



In this plan we propose to deliver development planned in Science Vale, at our Garden Communities (Didcot Garden Town, Berinsfield Garden Village and Dalton Barracks Garden Village) and at settlements with the best and biggest range of facilities.



In practice this means simply delivering the growth already planned in the adopted local plans and neighbourhood plans, we don't need to add more greenfield development beyond that at our towns and villages in order to meet housing targets.

However we will support new development on two new potential brownfield site allocations at Dalton Barracks and Crowmarsh Gifford.

### What kind of spatial strategy do you think we should adopt from the following?



Existing planned and new brownfield development at Science Vale, Garden Communities and Tiers 1, 2 and 3 of the settlement hierarchy (our preferred approach)



Greenfield expansion at the towns and larger villages



Co-location of housing and employment, including development on greenfield sites



A dispersed pattern of development including more at smaller villages

Key policy to find out more: Policy SP1: Spatial Strategy

# South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse Joint Local Plan 2041

## How many new homes?

The existing Local Plans for South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse contain historically high housing targets for the districts because of:

- The Housing Growth Deal which granted councils in Oxfordshire extra funding for infrastructure and affordable housing provided they planned to build the 100,000 homes that a growth needs assessment had identified were needed.
- All district councils agreeing to cover unmet housing need from Oxford City, which led to a higher level of house building in their areas.



Because of the large amount of housing already planned, there is a lot in the pipeline still to be built as the infographic shows here:



This means that the Joint Local Plan won't need to identify a lot of land for housing.

In this Local Plan we propose a lower annual level of new housing for our need, which is calculated by using the standard formula set out in the Government's planning guidance.

### Question:

Do you think we should reduce the housing target in our new Joint Local Plan?

Key policy to find out more: Policy HOU1 - Housing requirement, Policy HOU2 - Sources of housing supply



# South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse Joint Local Plan 2041

## Affordable Homes

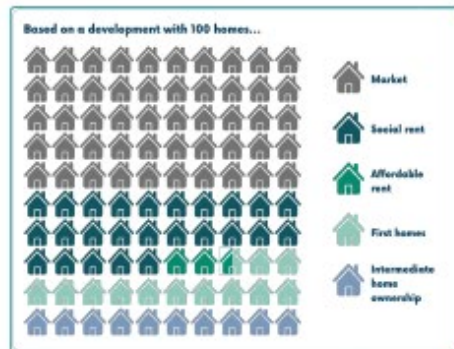
We know that house prices are higher than the national average across our districts, especially in some hotspots. This makes it difficult for many people to get onto the housing ladder or to find accommodation they can afford locally.



The main way planning can help with this is to require developers to provide a proportion of 'affordable homes' when they build homes for sale. These affordable homes are homes that cost less than normal to rent, buy or part-buy (known as shared ownership). People can qualify for these new affordable homes if they are on the Council's housing register or are first time buyers, for example.

Current policy for South Oxfordshire is that 40% of homes on larger sites should be affordable (or 50% on sites at the edge of Oxford), and in Vale of White Horse this is 35%.

In the Joint Local Plan we plan to raise this to 50% everywhere. This is so we can help more people who need an affordable home, without increasing the total number of homes being built. This policy, along with all the other policies, will need testing to ensure development can still happen, this is called a viability assessment.



### Question:

Do you agree that we should be raising the percentage of affordable housing that makes up new developments?

Key policy to find out more: Policy HOU3 – Affordable housing

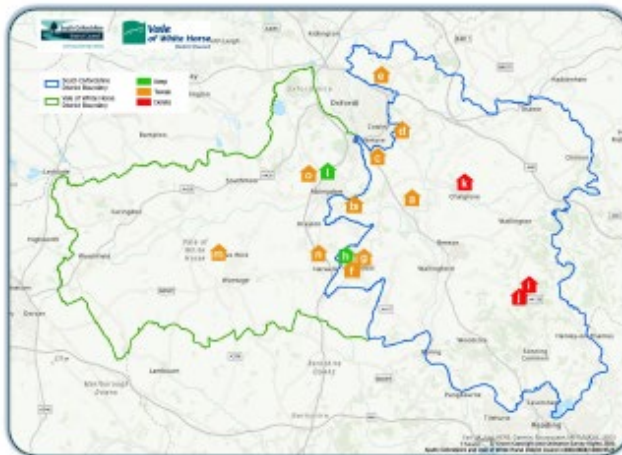
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### Homes already planned in existing local plans

The existing local plans approved in 2016, 2019 and 2020 identified a large number of sites for housebuilding. Some of these allocated sites have now been developed, others have planning permission, but there are significant numbers that are still to gain planning permission and be built. This provides an important pipeline of new homes and jobs for the 2020s and 2030s.

What we can do now in the Joint Local Plan is review the existing allocated sites which do not yet have planning permission, to see if there's a need to update or refresh the policy wording. In simple terms we have looked at whether to keep, tweak or delete these allocations. The types of tweaks we have suggested include increasing or decreasing the number of homes, varying the layout or updating what's needed to go with the development.

### From this review we are proposing the following – do you agree?



#### South Oxfordshire

| Existing allocated site name               | Number of homes planned for Joint Local Plan | Outcome of our review   |
|--|--|---|
| a. Land at Berinsfield Garden Village      | 1700   | Tweak – minor changes   |
| b. Land adjacent to Culham Science Centre  | 3500   | Tweak – minor changes   |
| c. Land south of Grenoble Road             | 3000   | Tweak – minor changes   |
| d. Land at Northfield                      | 1800   | Tweak – minor changes   |
| e. Land north of Baywater Brook            | 1300   | Tweak, keep main site, but delete the parcel of land at Sandhills   |
| f. Orchard Centre Phase 2                  | 100  | Tweak, reduce the site area to exclude the Orchard Centre, rename to "Rich's Sidings and Broadway", and fewer homes |
| g. Didcot Gateway                          | 200  | Tweak, fewer homes  |
| h. Vauxhall Barracks                       | 300  | Keep  |
| i. West of Priests Close, Nettlebed        | 0  | Delete the allocation   |
| j. Land south of Nettlebed Service Station | 0  | Delete the allocation   |
| k. Land at Chalgrove Airfield              | 0  | Delete the allocation   |

#### Vale of White Horse

| Existing allocated site name        | Number of homes planned for Joint Local Plan | Outcome of our review  |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| l. North West of Abingdon-on-Thames | 200  | Keep, as part of the site does not have planning permission                      |
| m. North West of Grove              | 600  | Tweak, higher number of homes to cover the new plan period, but no extra overall |
| n. North-West Valley Park           | 800  | Tweak – minor changes  |
| o. Dalton Barracks                  | 2750   | Tweak, extend the site area and increase number of homes                         |

For further information visit – <https://jlp.southandvale.gov.uk/>

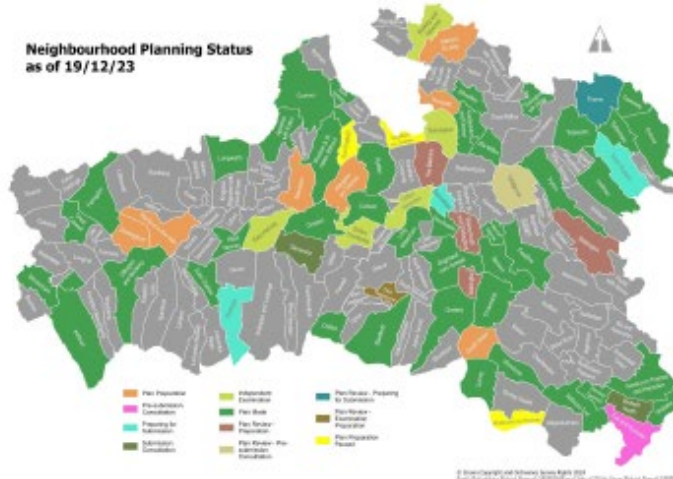


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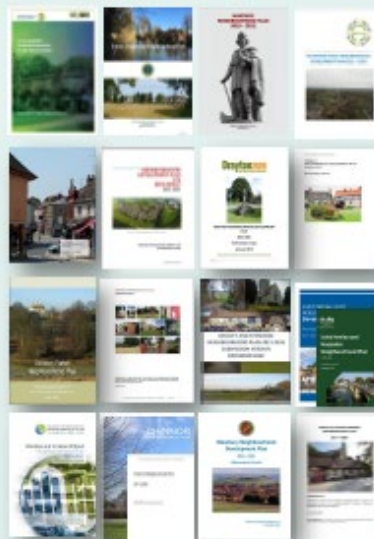
Our Councils are big proponents of neighbourhood planning. We have over fifty completed neighbourhood plans and many more on the way, this is higher coverage than in most areas of the country.



### Neighbourhood Planning Status as of 19/12/23



In the last South Oxfordshire Local Plan, we gave neighbourhood plans a housing target to work to, and invited communities to make decisions locally on which sites should be developed for housing and other uses like employment. Many communities took up this challenge and have used neighbourhood planning to take control of their destinies, and also protect land by, for example, designating Local Green Space, which gives the same level of protection as Green Belt.



This time we don't have housing requirements to delegate to neighbourhood plans in South Oxfordshire or Vale of White Horse. But we want to support the preparation of new Neighbourhood Plans, and encourage ambitious projects if Parish or Town Councils want to deliver more.

**Question:**

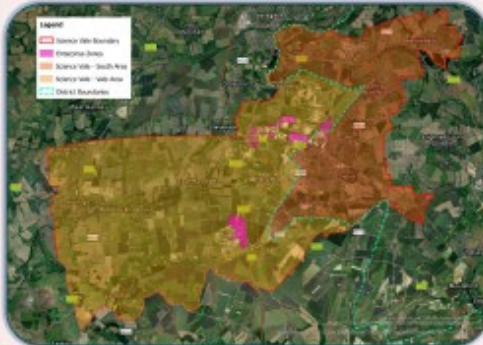
If a Town or Parish Council wanted to deliver more homes as part of their neighbourhood plan, do you think the Joint Local Plan should include a strategy to allow for this?

**Key policy to find out more:** Policy SP1 – Spatial Strategy

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### Jobs, Town Centres and Community Facilities

#### Jobs and Town Centres



- Our districts have strong local economies, from small and medium sized businesses up to regionally, nationally and globally important ones including those at Culham Science Centre, Milton Park and Harwell Campus. The area in our districts where these significant employment parks are located is known as 'Science Vale'.
- We have enough available land on our existing employment sites, and on land coming forward through approved planning applications, to meet our employment needs up to 2041, so we don't need to find any new employment sites in the Joint Local Plan. Our preference is therefore to support sites already identified for employment, plus support jobs on our existing employment sites and on brownfield sites within settlements.
- We're also planning for the long-term vitality and viability of our town and local service centres, giving them the flexibility to evolve and diversify in a way that responds to prevailing economic circumstances and changing demographics. Within our defined centres, we plan to support a range of uses (including shops, restaurants, cinemas, offices, theatres, museums, art galleries, hotels and, where appropriate, residential). Encouraging the re-use of vacant town centre premises/sites will help ensure that our centres retain their role as economic and community hubs, both during the day and into the evening.

#### Community Facilities

- We'll need new and improved community infrastructure like schools, community halls, sport and leisure facilities, health care facilities and green spaces to go with the new homes and jobs already planned (and in some cases already delivered).
- These improvements are likely to be in or near areas where new development is planned, rather than where there's less development
- In a refresh of our Infrastructure Delivery Plan, we will identify what's needed where to support planned development, and we'd value your views on this. The Joint Local Plan will include policies to ensure that developers contribute a fair share of the cost of new infrastructure.

#### Question:

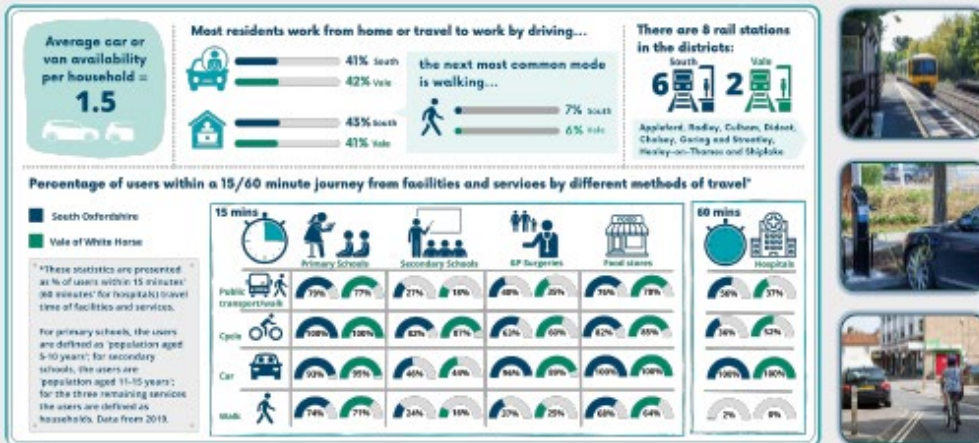
Do you support our approach to jobs, town centres and community facilities?

**Key policies to find out more:** Policy JT1 - Meeting employment needs, Policy JT2 - Protecting our employment sites, Policy TCR2 - Strategy for town and local service centres  
Policy HP2 - Community facilities and services, Policy HP3 - Health care provision



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## Transport and Travel



We're aiming for a plan that moves us towards a more sustainable transport system, where people don't need to drive everywhere by private car and can choose sustainable transport options like walking and cycling, public and shared transport for more of their journeys, as well as less polluting, electric and alternative fuel cars.



To do this we're making sure appropriate locations are chosen for development so that residents can access their daily needs without driving, and that travel infrastructure like cycle lanes and electric vehicle charge points are put in place to support sustainable travel, cleaner air and healthy living.



We're planning for enhanced public transport including protecting land for a new Wantage and Grove train station.

### Question:

Do you think the Joint Local Plan should encourage walking, cycling, and the use of buses and trains when planning for future travel?

- Key policies to find out more: Policy IN2 – Sustainable transport and accessibility  
Policy IN3 – Transport infrastructure and safeguarding



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### Nature Recovery and Landscape



#### Nature Recovery

Biodiversity net gain is an approach to development that aims to leave the natural environment in a measurably better state than it was before. Under the Environment Act 2021, when developers build, there must be a minimum of 10% biodiversity net gain.

In the Joint Local Plan, alongside protecting ecological networks and incorporating features to support wildlife, we propose setting a higher level of biodiversity net gain between 11-25%, as long as the level doesn't make development too expensive to go ahead.

#### Landscape

In the first consultation we ran on the Joint Local Plan last summer, people told us that protecting our countryside was their number one issue. We have always had planning policies to protect the landscape, but this time we are incorporating some extra policies.



As well as recognising nationally protected landscapes like our two National Landscapes (previously known as Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty), we've also commissioned research on valued landscapes, so that we recognise and protect areas that may not be nationally designated but are nevertheless special and locally important to communities.



We've also commissioned a map showing the tranquillity of all parts of the districts, and a map showing light pollution and where our darkest skies are. We're proposing new policies we've not had before to go with the maps so that we can protect valued landscapes, tranquil places and dark skies better.

#### Question:

Do you think we should add these additional policies to protect nature and landscape in the Joint Local Plan?

**Key policies to find out more:** Policy NH1 – Nature Recovery, Policy NH5 – Landscape, Policy NH6 – Valued Landscapes, Policy NH7 – Tranquillity and tranquil areas, Policy NH2 – Biodiversity designations, Policy NH4 – Chilterns and North Wessex Downs National Landscapes, Policy CE11 – Light pollution and dark skies

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### Planning for brownfield sites

Although the Councils do not need to make any new housing allocations to meet the housing numbers, and do not plan to make any new greenfield allocations in this local plan, where there are brownfield sites in sustainable locations which could be regenerated or re-used, we propose to allocate these to help them find a new future.

So far we have identified two brownfield sites we propose to allocate: the barracks area at Dalton Barracks (in Vale of White Horse), and the site where the former Council offices stood at Crowmarsh Gifford (in South Oxfordshire).



### Site Allocation - Dalton Barracks



**Location:**  
Shippon, to the north of  
Abingdon-on-Thames

**Site area:**  
Around 145 hectares  
(currently: 77 hectares)

**Current use:**  
Currently a Ministry of Defence  
site, vacating 2029

**Proposed number of new  
homes:** Approximately 2,750

**Supporting services and  
facilities:**  
Parkland, healthcare and education  
provision, leisure and recreational  
facilities, local centres, and  
opportunities for employment.

- The site is currently a Ministry of Defence site located adjacent to the village of Shippon to the north of Abingdon-on-Thames. Part of this site is already allocated in the Vale of White Horse Local Plan 2031, Part 2 (Core Policy 8a), for 1,200 homes.
- Through the Joint Local Plan we propose to continue and extend the allocation at Dalton Barracks, for the delivery of an exemplar mixed-use development, comprising approximately 2,750 new homes, alongside supporting services and facilities, following Garden Village Principles. These homes will be delivered mainly within the plan period, up until 2041, but also beyond it.

- Key policies to find out more:** Policy AS10 - Land at Dalton Barracks Garden Village, Shippon  
Policy AS14 - Dalton Barracks Garden Village



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### Site Allocation - Site of the former Council Offices, Crowmarsh Gifford

#### What do we want to achieve on this site

- This site was previously in employment use as it was home to South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Councils until a fire destroyed the offices in 2015. The councils have decided not to return to the site. As a vacant brownfield site, which is well located close to the settlement of Wallingford, it is appropriate for us to consider what use or uses it should have in the future through this plan.
- We don't at this stage have a preferred option for the site, instead we are exploring options which can be refined further once we have reviewed comments and gathered additional evidence to better understand the needs of the district including specialist housing or other uses.

**Location:** Benson Lane, Crowmarsh Gifford

**Site area:** Just over 2.5 hectares

**Current use:** Vacant employment site



#### What do you think is the best use of the site?

##### Option A Employment use



Allocate the site for employment use - represent a continuation of the current land use of the site and complement the neighbouring employment centre at Howbery Park to the north.

##### Option B Residential use



Allocate the site for housing - We are expecting the site to have capacity for approximately 100 homes, which will need further work to determine.

##### Option C Specialist housing



Allocate the site to address the housing needs of a specific group or groups, solely or alongside other uses, for example:

- Specialised housing for older people
- Plots for self and/or custom housebuilders

##### Option D Other uses



- Community facilities?
- Environmental use/renewable energy?
- Leisure and recreational uses?

- Key policy to find out more:** Policy AS16 - Land at Crowmarsh Gifford, Benson Lane - Site of former district council offices

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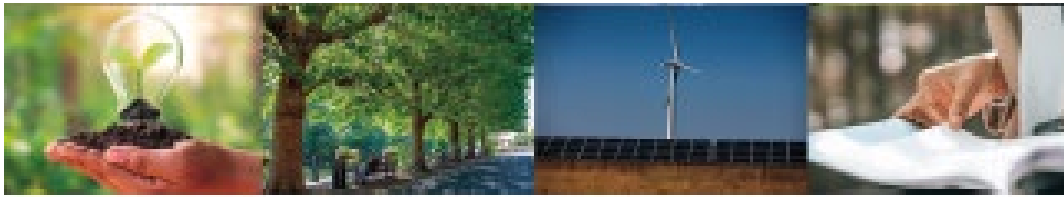
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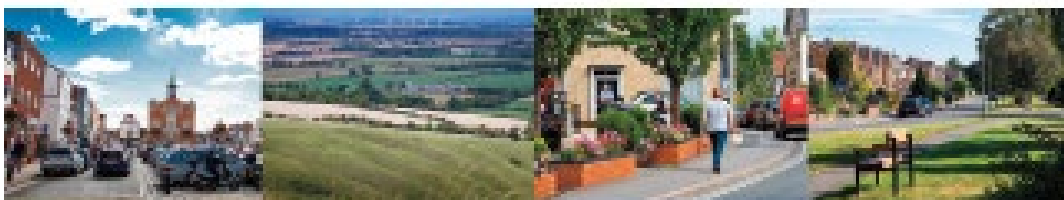
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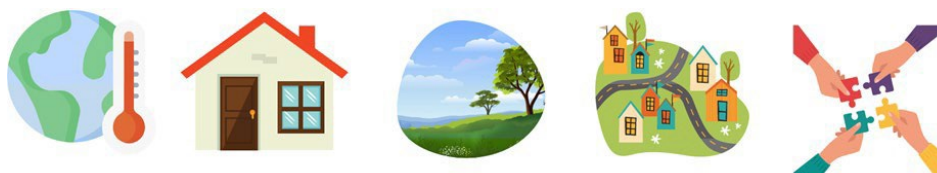
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- 47.** Please provide your comments below.

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**48.** Do you want to be notified when we consult on the draft plan (also known as the proposed submission draft), when the plan is submitted for Examination and when the Plan is adopted?

*For further information about how we use your data below, please refer to our privacy policy (available alongside this comment form), which also explains how to exercise your rights over your personal data.*

- ☐ Yes  
☐ No (**go to question 18**)

**49.** If yes, please provide your contact details below

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|--|----------------------|
| First name   | <input type="text"/> |
| Last name  | <input type="text"/> |
| Name of your business/organisation name (if relevant)                  | <input type="text"/> |
| Name of the business or organisation you're representing (if relevant) | <input type="text"/> |
| Email address  | <input type="text"/> |

**Postal address**

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| Address line 3 | <input type="text"/> |
| Postal town    | <input type="text"/> |
| Postcode       | <input type="text"/> |



## Your experience of this consultation

We would like to get your feedback on your experience of this consultation. Please answer the following questions below.

**50.** Is this the first time you have taken part in a Local Plan consultation?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ I don't know

**51.** Now that you have taken part in the Joint Local Plan consultation, how would you rate your experience?

- ☐ Excellent
- ☐ Good
- ☐ Neither good nor poor
- ☐ Poor
- ☐ Extremely poor
- ☐ I don't know

**52.** Based on your experience of taking part in this Joint Local Plan consultation, how likely are you to take part in a future consultation?

- ☐ Very likely
- ☐ Likely
- ☐ Neutral
- ☐ Unlikely
- ☐ Very unlikely
- ☐ I don't know

**53.** If you have any other comments about your experience, please provide them below.

**54.** How did you hear about the Joint Local Plan consultation? Tick all that apply.

- ☐ District Council social media accounts (e.g., Facebook, Twitter, Instagram)
- ☐ Other social media accounts
- ☐ Poster
- ☐ Newsletter
- ☐ Email
- ☐ Letter
- ☐ Our website
- ☐ Another website
- ☐ Word of mouth
- ☐ Radio/TV
- ☐ Read it in the newspaper
- ☐ Parish Council
- ☐ Other (please specify):

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## Our commitment to equal access for all

We are committed to making sure that residents have equal access to all council services. Please help us to keep track of how successfully we are achieving this by ticking the appropriate boxes below.

All questions are optional. All information is confidential and will only be used to help us monitor whether views differ across the community.

**55.** What is your sex?

- ☐ Female
- ☐ Male
- ☐ Prefer not to say

**56.** Is the gender you identify with the same as your sex registered at birth?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No (please specify below)
- ☐ Prefer not to say

**If no, please specify below.**

**57.** How old are you?

- ☐ Under 16
- ☐ 16-24
- ☐ 25-34
- ☐ 35-44
- ☐ 45-54
- ☐ 55-64
- ☐ 65-74
- ☐ 75+
- ☐ Prefer not to say

**58.** What is your ethnic group?

☐ Prefer not to say

**White**

☐ English, Welsh, Scottish, Northern Irish or British

☐ Irish

☐ Gypsy or Irish Traveller

☐ Roma

☐ Any other White background

**Asian or Asian British**

☐ Indian

☐ Pakistani

☐ Bangladeshi

☐ Chinese

☐ Any other Asian background

**Black, Black British, Caribbean or African**

☐ Caribbean

☐ African

☐ Any other Black, Black British or Caribbean background

**Mixed or Multiple Ethnic Groups**

☐ White and Black Caribbean

☐ White and Black African

☐ White and Asian

☐ Any other Mixed or Multiple background

**Other Ethnic Group**

☐ Arab

☐ Other (please specify):

**59.** Do you have any physical or mental health conditions or illness lasting or expecting to last 12 months or more?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No **(skip question 28)**
- ☐ Prefer not to say **(skip question 28)**

**60.** Do any of your conditions or illnesses reduce your ability to carry out day to day activities?

- ☐ Yes, a lot
- ☐ Yes, a little
- ☐ Not at all

## Thank you for your comments.

### What happens next

We'll review all the comments we receive and summarise them in a consultation statement. Your views will help shape the draft of the Joint Local Plan for South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse. In Autumn 2024, we expect to publish a full draft of our Joint Local Plan (the Proposed Submission Joint Local Plan) for a further stage of public comments. After this we will submit the draft plan and those comments for an independent planning inspector to examine the plan.

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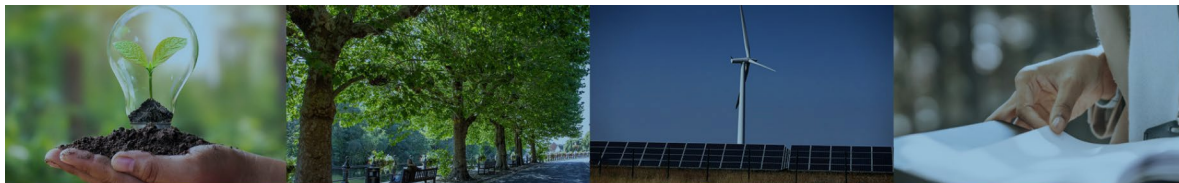
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## Joint Local Plan in a Nutshell Survey response form



Comment form

## Joint Local Plan in a Nutshell Consultation

A Local Plan looks ahead fifteen years and plans how much development is needed in an area, like new homes, jobs, roads and schools, and where they should go.

South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Councils are working together to produce a new Joint Local Plan.

This plan will be different from the last Local Plans for our area, in particular it doesn't need to plan for the same scale of growth as last time. Our focus will be to continue to build out most of the sites already planned, consider development on new brownfield sites, and make sure the new policies are stronger on zero carbon development, nature recovery, protecting the countryside and providing facilities for communities.



**Our vision for the Joint Local Plan is...**

For **carbon neutral** districts, for current and future generations.

For this to be a place where **nature** is thriving, and nature reserves are no longer isolated pockets. A place where **history** is still visible, where heritage and landscape character are safeguarded and valued, and the beauty and the distinctive local identity of our countryside, towns and villages have been enhanced.

A place where **people can thrive**. Where people have housing choices they can afford, where villages, market towns and garden communities are diverse and inclusive places where people of all ages and backgrounds can live together.

A place where residents can reach the **facilities** they need for everyday living on foot, bicycle, wheeling, public transport or by zero-emission and low carbon **transport choices**.

Where residents and visitors can live **healthy lifestyles** and access greenspace.

Where **people are safe** from pollution, flooding, and the effects of climate change.

Where there are valuable and rewarding **jobs**, embracing clean technologies and growing the opportunities in Science Vale for the districts to contribute on a national and international scale to solving pressing global issues.

We are also striving to listen to residents and make it easier for people to contribute their ideas.

**To help, this *Joint Local Plan in a Nutshell* is a short summary of what's in the Local Plan Preferred Options Consultation document (available to view alongside this comment form) with quickfire questions.** You can answer as many or as few questions as you like.

If you want to tell us about particular policy topics or draft plan text, there's also the option of reading the full detail and giving us in depth feedback via the Joint Local Plan Preferred Options Consultation form, available alongside this comment form.

Whichever you choose, we're really grateful for your time, your comments help shape the local plan.

Please return this comment form by **11.59pm on 21 February 2024** to: **Freepost SOUTH AND VALE CONSULTATIONS** (*no other address information or stamp is needed*).

If you have any questions on the comment form or require it in an alternative format (for example large print, Braille, audio, email, Easy Read and alternative languages) please email [jointheconversation@southandvale.gov.uk](mailto:jointheconversation@southandvale.gov.uk) or call **01235 422425**.

## **Personal details?**

If you submit a comment on the Joint Local Plan Preferred Options consultation (or a comment is submitted on your behalf), it may be published in full or as a summary alongside your name (where provided). Comments submitted by businesses or organisations may be made public (including online publication) alongside the name of the business or organisation provided. If you submit a comment on behalf of a business/organisation or client, it may be published in full or as a summary alongside your name and the name of the business/organisation/client it is on behalf of (where details are provided). No other personal contact details will be published. If your comment relates to matters outside the scope of planning but falls within the remit of another team at the councils, we may share your comments with these internal teams where relevant.

To find out how your personal data is used for these consultations and for information on how the council holds, uses and stores your personal data, please refer to our Privacy Policy available at deposit locations or on our websites at [southoxon.gov.uk/jointheconversation](https://southoxon.gov.uk/jointheconversation) or [whitehorsedc.gov.uk/jointheconversation](https://whitehorsedc.gov.uk/jointheconversation)

## Your contact details

- Are you responding as a:

- ☐ Member of the public
- ☐ Agent, developer or landowner
- ☐ District, county or town/parish councillor
- ☐ Town/parish council
- ☐ Neighbourhood Planning Group
- ☐ Community or interest group
- ☐ Statutory body (Environment Agency, National Highways, Natural England etc.)
- ☐ Utility company or infrastructure provider
- ☐ Business/organisation
- ☐ Another planning authority
- ☐ Other (please specify below):

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- If you are responding on behalf of an organisation, what is the name of that organisation?

- If you live in the districts, what is your postcode?

## Section 1: How many new homes



The existing Local Plans for South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse ([southoxon.gov.uk/localplan](http://southoxon.gov.uk/localplan) or [whitehorsedc.gov.uk/localplan2031](http://whitehorsedc.gov.uk/localplan2031)) contain historically high housing targets for the districts because of:

- The Housing and Growth Deal ([gov.uk/government/publications/oxfordshire-housing-deal](http://gov.uk/government/publications/oxfordshire-housing-deal)), which granted councils in Oxfordshire extra funding for infrastructure and affordable housing provided they planned to build the 100,000 homes that a growth needs assessment had identified were needed
- All district councils agreeing to cover unmet housing need from Oxford City, which led to a higher level of house building in their areas.

In this Local Plan we propose a lower annual level of new housing for our need, which is calculated by using the standard formula set out in the Government's planning guidance.

- How far do you agree or disagree with the principle of reducing the housing target in the new Joint Local Plan?
  - ☐ Strongly agree
  - ☐ Agree
  - ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
  - ☐ Disagree
  - ☐ Strongly disagree
  - ☐ I don't know



- If you have any comments on this proposal, please provide them below.

## Section 2: Large sites for housebuilding



Because of the large amount of housing already planned, there is a lot in the pipeline still to be built.



This means that the Joint Local Plan won't need to identify a lot of land for housing.

- Our preferred option does not include significant new sites for large scale housebuilding beyond the sites already identified for development in the last local plans. How far do you agree or disagree with this approach?

- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ I don't know

- If you have any comments on this proposal, please provide them below.

## Section 3: Net zero-carbon development



We'd like to raise standards of development so that future new buildings use less energy, are more climate-change friendly and cheaper to run. This is likely to mean that new buildings are built to be highly energy-efficient and include renewable energy technology like solar panels and heat pumps.

Our current South Oxfordshire local plan policy goes beyond the requirements set out in Building Regulations. The plan gives dates for when carbon reduction standards increase, until reaching zero carbon development in 2030. Our current Vale of White Horse local plan doesn't set any carbon reduction standards.

We want to go further than our current plans and deliver new development that is truly net zero across both districts. Reducing carbon emissions against those set out in Building Regulations has its flaws, because Building Regulations only count regulated energy (fixed building services, such as heating), which only accounts for 50% of the carbon emissions of a building. Unregulated energy (energy from plug-in appliances) is not covered by the current Building Regulations, nor is the carbon associated with the processes and materials used to construct those buildings, known as embodied carbon. As our current policy approach doesn't cover unregulated energy or embodied carbon, it won't achieve truly net zero carbon buildings.

Therefore, we want to introduce a policy that deals with all of the carbon associated with new buildings, setting the highest standards possible to deliver true net zero carbon buildings, while not making it too expensive for development to go ahead<sup>1</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> We will review our approach in the light of the Written Ministerial Statement entitled 'Planning - Local Energy Efficiency Standards Update' dated 13 December 2023

- How far do you agree or disagree with the Joint Local Plan raising standards to achieve net zero carbon development across South and Vale?

- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ I don't know

- If you have any comments on this proposal, please provide them below.

## Section 4: Affordable homes

We know that house prices are higher than the national average across our districts, especially in some hotspots. This makes it difficult for many people to get on to the housing ladder or to find accommodation they can afford locally. The main way planning can help with this is to require developers to provide a proportion of 'affordable homes' when they build homes for sale. These affordable homes are homes that cost less than normal to rent, buy or part-buy (known as shared ownership). People can qualify for these new affordable homes if they are on the Council's housing register ([southoxon.gov.uk/housing-register](https://southoxon.gov.uk/housing-register) or [whitehorsedc.gov.uk/housing-register](https://whitehorsedc.gov.uk/housing-register)) are first time buyers, for example.

Current policy for South Oxfordshire is that 40% of homes on larger sites should be affordable (or 50% on sites at the edge of Oxford), and in Vale of White Horse this is 35%. In the Joint Local Plan we plan to raise this to 50% everywhere. This is so we can help more people who need an affordable home, without increasing the total number of homes being built. This policy, along with all the other policies, will need testing to ensure development can still happen, this is called a viability assessment.

- How far do you agree or disagree with the Affordable Housing percentages?

|                           | Strongly agree           | Agree                    | Neither agree nor disagree | Disagree                 | Strongly disagree        | I don't know             |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| South Oxfordshire (50%)   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Vale of White Horse (50%) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

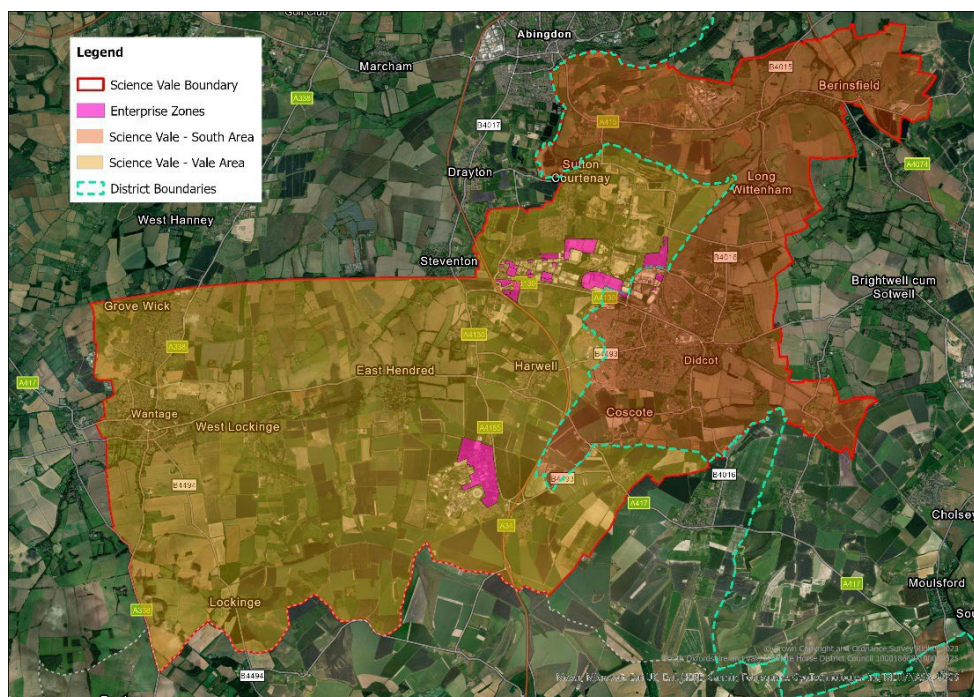
- If you selected disagree or strongly disagree, what percentage of Affordable Housing would you propose?

|                     | More than 50%            | Less than 50%            | Keep existing percentage |
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| South Oxfordshire   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Vale of White Horse | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

- If you have any comments on this proposal, please provide them below.



## Section 5: Jobs



Our districts have strong local economies. Our towns and villages are home to many small and medium sized businesses, which, along with rural enterprises, provide jobs and vital services. We are also home to regionally, nationally and globally important employment areas, including Culham Science Centre, Milton Park and Harwell Campus. The area in our districts where these significant employment parks are located is known as ‘Science Vale’.

Our evidence shows that we need to provide around 26 hectares of employment land in South Oxfordshire and around 113 hectares of employment land in Vale of White Horse over the plan period. This is less than we planned for in the current South and Vale local plans.

We have enough available land on our existing employment sites, and enough employment land coming forward through approved planning applications, so we don’t need to find any new employment sites in the Joint Local Plan to meet our needs up to 2041.

Our preference is therefore to meet our employment land needs on the land we’ve already identified for employment. We will also support employment development on our existing employment sites and on brownfield sites within settlements.



- How far do you agree or disagree with our approach to employment land?

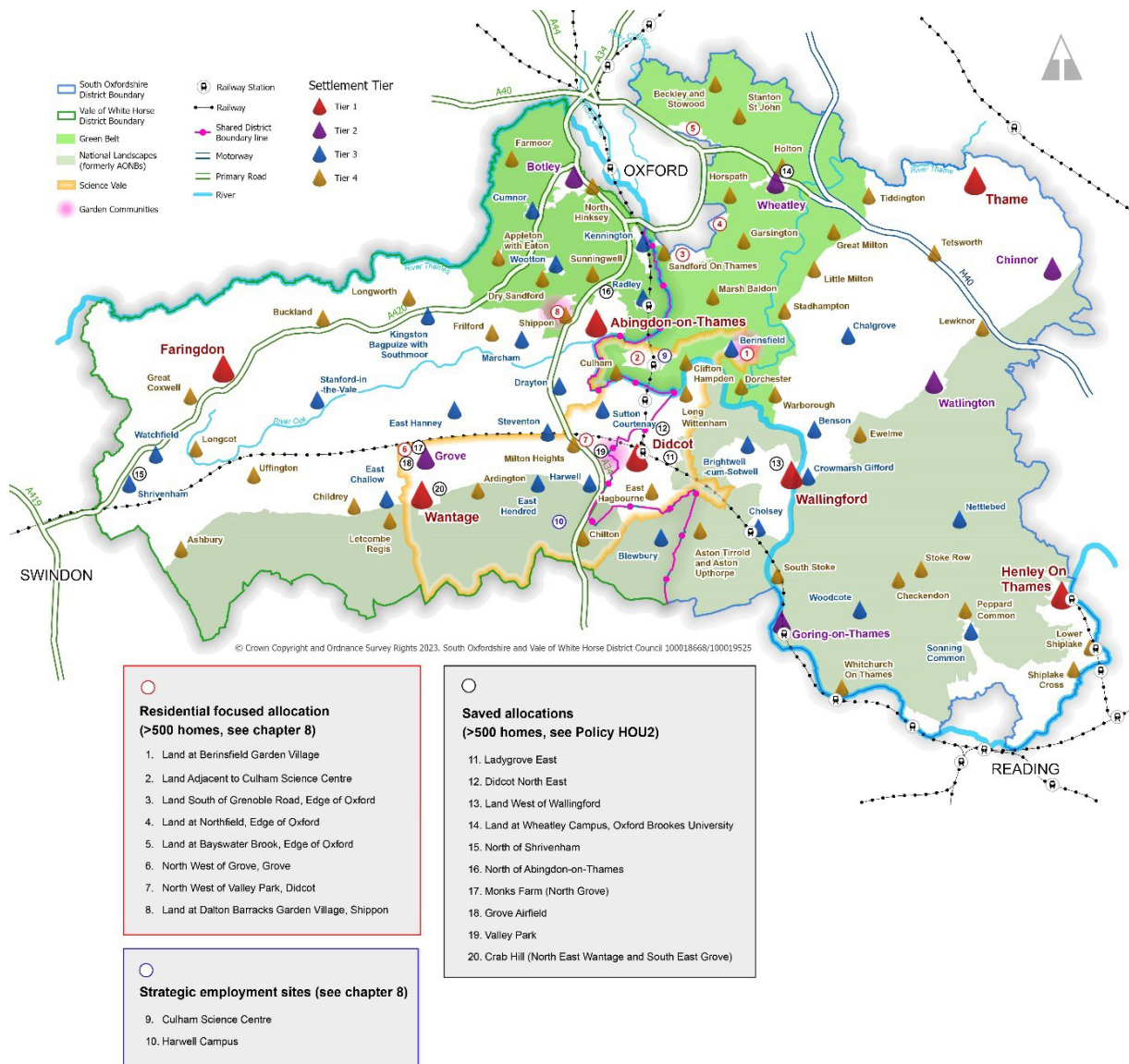
- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ I don't know

- If you selected disagree or strongly disagree, what would you propose?

- ☐ Plan for less
- ☐ Plan for more
- ☐ I don't know

- If you have any comments on this proposal, please provide them below.

## Section 6: Where development will go


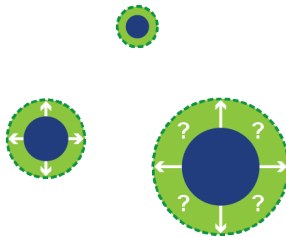

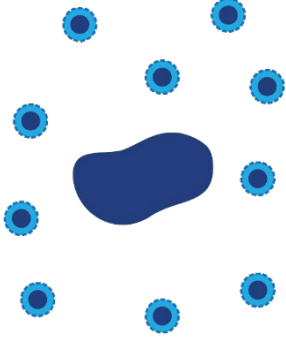


Our spatial strategy is an important policy at the heart of the Joint Local Plan. It sets out clearly where new development like housing and employment will be supported and where it will be limited so that it meets the objectives of the plan, like encouraging sustainable travel and protecting our communities and the environment.

In this plan we propose to deliver development planned in Science Vale, at our Garden Communities (Didcot Garden Town, Berinsfield Garden Village and Dalton Barracks Garden Village) and at settlements at the highest tiers of our settlement hierarchy with the best and biggest range of facilities. We've updated our settlement hierarchy to direct development to a smaller number of settlements.

In practice this means simply delivering the growth already planned in the adopted local plans and neighbourhood plans, we don't need to add more greenfield development beyond that at our towns and villages in order to meet housing targets.

However we will support new development on two new potential brownfield site allocations at Dalton Barracks and Crowmarsh Gifford (we ask you about these details later on at Section 14)

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| <p>Existing planned and new brownfield development at Science Vale, Garden Communities and Tiers 1, 2 and 3 of the settlement hierarchy (see map) (our preferred approach)</p> |    |
| <p>Greenfield expansion at the towns and larger villages</p>   |    |
| <p>Co-location of housing and employment, including development on greenfield sites</p>  |  |
| <p>A dispersed pattern of development including more at smaller villages</p>   |  |

- What kind of spatial strategy do you think we should adopt? Please rank from 1 to 4, with 1 being your preferred approach and 4 being your least preferred.

Existing planned and new brownfield development at Science Vale, Garden Communities and Tiers 1, 2 and 3 of the settlement hierarchy (see map) (our preferred approach)

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Greenfield expansion at the towns and larger villages

☐

Co-location of housing and employment, including development on greenfield sites

☐

A dispersed pattern of development including more at smaller villages

☐

- If you have any comments, please provide them below.

## Section 7: Neighbourhood plans

Our Councils are big proponents of neighbourhood planning. We have over fifty completed neighbourhood plans and many more on the way, this is higher coverage than in most areas of the country. You can see these and link through to the plans via our neighbourhood plan maps ([southoxon.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plans](https://southoxon.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plans) or [whitehorsedc.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plans/](https://whitehorsedc.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plans/)).

In the last South Oxfordshire Local Plan, we gave neighbourhood plans a housing target to work to and invited communities to make decisions locally on which sites should be developed for housing and other uses like employment. Many communities took up this challenge and have used neighbourhood planning to take control of their destinies, and also protect land by, for example, designating Local Green Space, which gives the same level of protection as Green Belt.

This time we don't have housing requirements to delegate to neighbourhood plans in South Oxfordshire or Vale of White Horse. But we want to support the preparation of new Neighbourhood Plans, and encourage ambitious projects if Parish or Town Councils want to deliver more.

- If a Town or Parish Council wanted to deliver more homes as part of their neighbourhood plan, how far do you agree or disagree with the Joint Local Plan including a strategy allowing allocation for further land for development?

- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ I don't know

- If you have any comments on this proposal, please provide them below.



## Section 8: Transport and travel



We're aiming for a plan that moves us towards a more sustainable transport system, where people don't need to drive everywhere by private car and can choose sustainable transport options like walking and cycling, public and shared transport for more of their journeys, as well as less polluting, electric and alternative fuel cars. To do this we're making sure appropriate locations are chosen for development so that residents can access their daily needs without driving, and that travel infrastructure like cycle lanes and electric vehicle charging points are put in place to support sustainable travel, cleaner air and healthy living. We're planning for enhanced public transport including protecting land for a new Wantage and Grove train station.

- How far do you agree or disagree with the Joint Local Plan encouraging walking, cycling, buses and trains when planning for future travel?

- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ I don't know



- If you have any comments on this proposal, please provide them below.

## Section 9: Community infrastructure



We'll need new and improved community infrastructure like schools, community halls, sport and leisure facilities, health care facilities and green spaces to go with the new homes and jobs already planned (and in some cases already delivered). These improvements are likely to be in or near areas where new development is planned, rather than where there's less development. In a refresh of our Infrastructure Delivery Plan, we will identify what's needed where to support planned development, and we'd value your views on this. The Joint Local Plan will include policies to ensure that developers contribute a fair share of the cost of new infrastructure.

- What type of community infrastructure would you like to comment on?

- ☐ Schools
- ☐ Community halls
- ☐ Sport and leisure facilities
- ☐ Health care facilities
- ☐ Public greenspaces / Local Green Spaces
- ☐ Allotments
- ☐ Other (please specify below)

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- Please tell us if you have any comments on our district's infrastructure needs, including any ideas you have about what is needed to support new development in our area or anything else you think we should consider.

## Section 10: Water quality and wastewater infrastructure



Wastewater (including waste from toilets) may be released directly into rivers and streams with no or minimal treatment when there is insufficient sewage infrastructure capacity. This potentially causes significant harm to human health and to nature. The councils are extremely concerned about how often and how long storm overflows are currently being used and are actively engaging with Thames Water on this issue.

Our policy approach is to ensure that there is sufficient capacity to serve new development to avoid the use of storm overflows moving forward. Where wastewater infrastructure capacity issues are identified, our policy will be that no development takes place until we have suitable wastewater upgrades planned and agreed. In addition, to protect water quality we are willing to use a special type of planning condition (called a Grampian condition) to ensure that people cannot move into new homes until the necessary infrastructure upgrades have been completed.

- How far do you agree or disagree with our proposed policy approach to wastewater infrastructure?
  - ☐ Strongly agree
  - ☐ Agree
  - ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
  - ☐ Disagree
  - ☐ Strongly disagree
  - ☐ I don't know

- If you have any comments on this proposal, please provide them below.

## Section 11: Nature recovery

Biodiversity net gain is an approach to development that aims to leave the natural environment in a measurably better state than it was before. Under the Environment Act 2021, when developers build, there must be a minimum of 10% biodiversity net gain. In the Joint Local Plan, alongside protecting ecological networks and incorporating features to support wildlife, we propose setting a higher level of biodiversity net gain between 11-25%, as long as the level doesn't make development too expensive to go ahead.

- How far do you agree or disagree with the Joint Local Plan requiring developers to provide a higher level of biodiversity than in the Environment Act?

- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ I don't know

- If you have any comments on this proposal, please let us know below.

## Section 12: Valuing the landscape

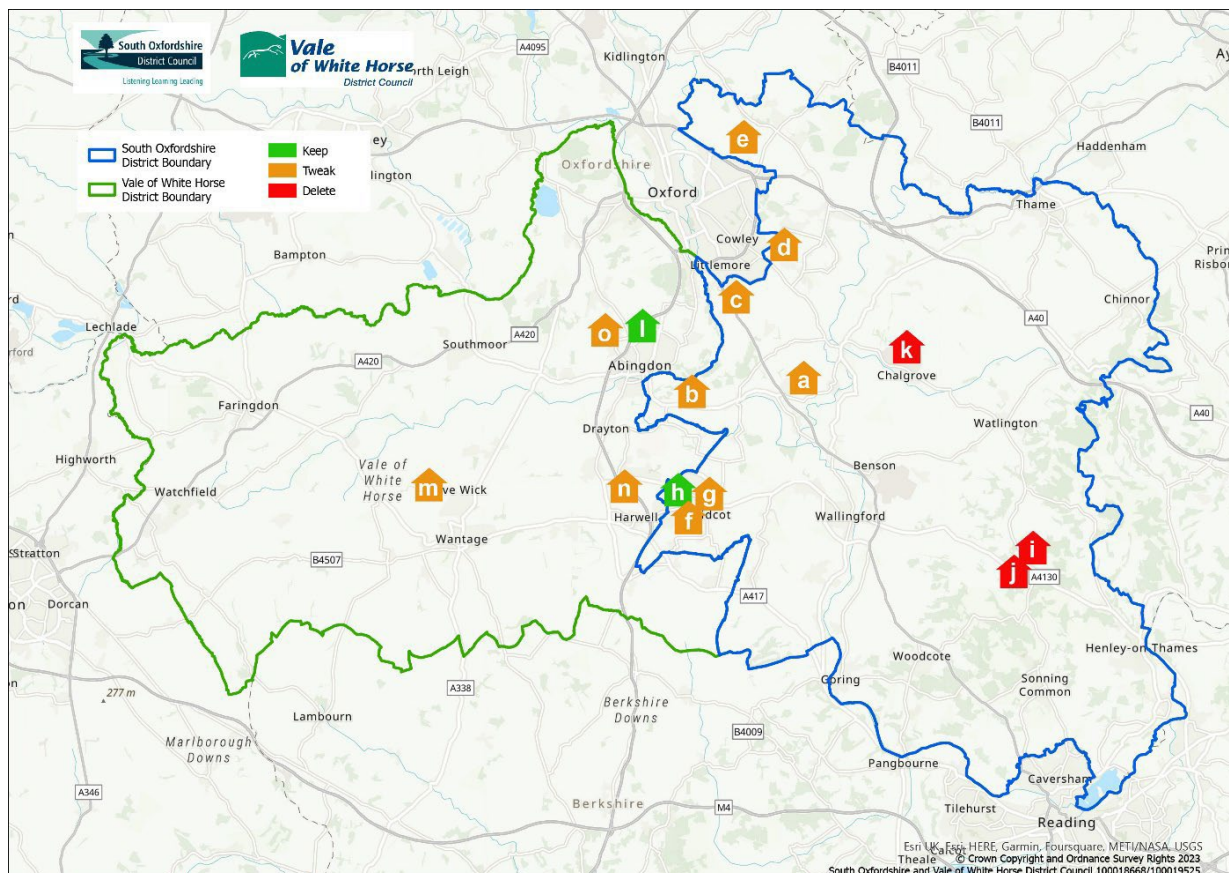
In the first consultation we ran on the Joint Local Plan last summer, people told us that protecting our countryside was their number one issue. We have always had planning policies to protect the landscape, but this time we are incorporating some extra policies. As well as recognising nationally protected landscapes like our two National Landscapes (formerly Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty), we've also commissioned research on valued landscapes, so that we recognise and protect areas that may not be nationally designated but are nevertheless special and locally important to communities. We've also commissioned a map showing the tranquillity of all parts of the districts, and a map showing light pollution and where our darkest skies are. We're proposing new policies we've not had before to go with the maps so that we can protect valued landscapes, tranquil places and dark skies better.

- How far do you agree or disagree with adding these additional policies to protect the landscape in the Joint Local Plan?
  - ☐ Strongly agree
  - ☐ Agree
  - ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
  - ☐ Disagree
  - ☐ Strongly disagree
  - ☐ I don't know

- If you have any comments on this proposal, please let us know below.



## Section 13: Homes already planned in existing local plans



The existing local plans approved in 2016, 2019 and 2020 identified a large number of sites for housebuilding. Some of these allocated sites have now been developed, others have planning permission, but there are significant numbers that are still to gain planning permission and be built. This provides an important pipeline of new homes and jobs for the 2020s and 2030s.

What we can do now in the Joint Local Plan is review the existing allocated sites which do not yet have planning permission, to see if there's a need to update or refresh the policy wording. In simple terms we have looked at whether to keep, tweak or delete these allocations. The types of tweaks we have suggested include increasing or decreasing the number of homes, varying the layout or updating what's needed to go with the development.



From this review we are proposing:

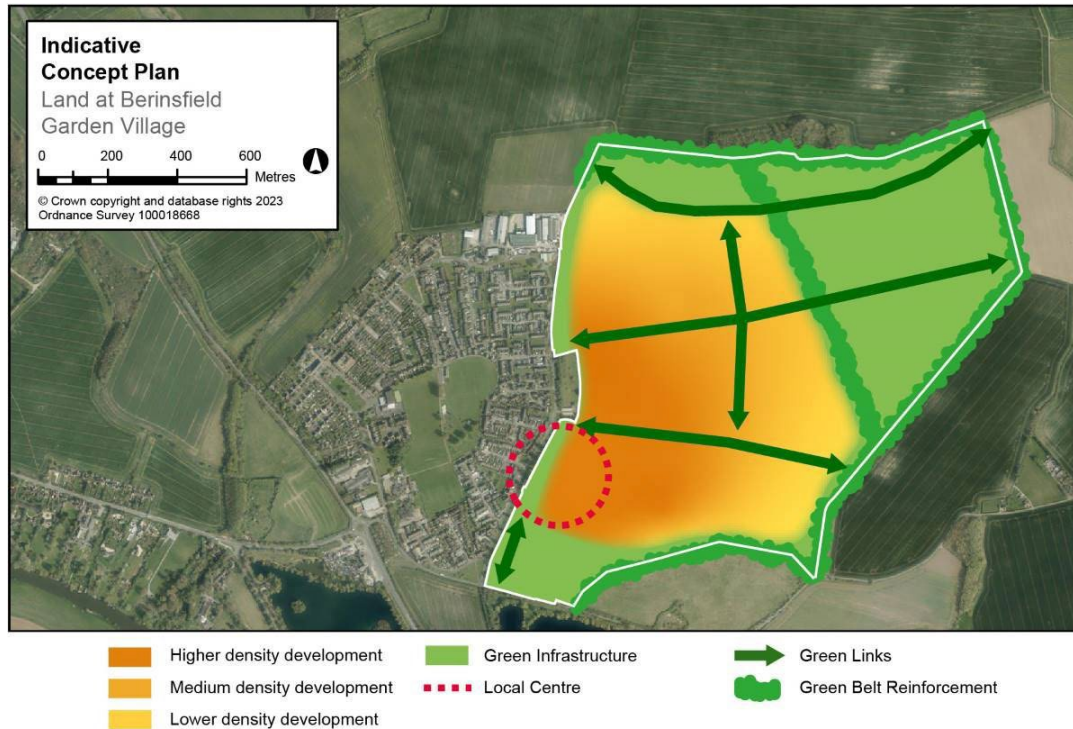
| Existing allocated site name               | Number of homes planned for Joint Local Plan | Outcome of our review   |
|--|--|---|
| <b>South Oxfordshire</b>                   |  |   |
| a. Land at Berinsfield Garden Village      | 1700   | Tweak – minor changes   |
| b. Land adjacent to Culham Science Centre  | 3500   | Tweak – minor changes   |
| c. Land south of Grenoble Road             | 3000   | Tweak – minor changes   |
| d. Land at Northfield                      | 1800   | Tweak – minor changes   |
| e. Land north of Bayswater Brook           | 1100   | Tweak, keep main site, but delete the parcel of land at Sandhills   |
| f. Orchard Centre Phase 2                  | 100  | Tweak, reduce the site area to exclude the Orchard Centre, rename to “Rich’s Sidings and Broadway”, and fewer homes |
| g. Didcot Gateway                          | 200  | Tweak, fewer homes  |
| h. Vauxhall Barracks                       | 300  | Keep  |
| i. West of Priests Close, Nettlebed        | 0  | Delete the allocation   |
| j. Land south of Nettlebed Service Station | 0  | Delete the allocation   |
| k. Land at Chalgrove Airfield              | 0  | Delete the allocation   |
| <b>Vale of White Horse</b>                 |  |   |
| l. North West of Abingdon-on-Thames        | 200  | Keep, as part of the site does not have planning permission.  |
| m. North West of Grove                     | 600  | Tweak, higher number of homes to cover the new plan period, but no extra overall                                    |
| n. North-West Valley Park                  | 800  | Tweak – minor changes   |
| o. Dalton Barracks*                        | 2750   | Tweak, extend the site area and increase number of homes  |

\*We ask more about Dalton Barracks in section 14.

- **Which site would you like to comment on?** Please tick all that apply and then go to the question numbers provided.

- ☐ Land at Berinsfield Garden Village (**go to question number 31**)
- ☐ Land adjacent to Culham Science Centre (**go to question number 33**)
- ☐ Land south of Grenoble Road (**go to question number 35**)
- ☐ Land at Northfield (**go to question number 37**)
- ☐ Land north of Bayswater Brook (**go to question number 39**)
- ☐ Orchard Centre Phase 2 (**go to question number 41**)
- ☐ Didcot Gateway (**go to question number 43**)
- ☐ Vauxhall Barracks (**go to question number 45**)
- ☐ West of Priests Close, Nettlebed (**go to question number 47**)
- ☐ Land south of Nettlebed Service Station (**go to question number 49**)
- ☐ Land at Chalgrove Airfield (**go to question number 51**)
- ☐ North West of Abingdon-on-Thames (**go to question number 53**)
- ☐ North West of Grove (**go to question number 55**)
- ☐ North-West Valley Park (**go to question number 57**)
- ☐ Dalton Barracks (**go to question number 59**)

## Land at Berinsfield Garden Village

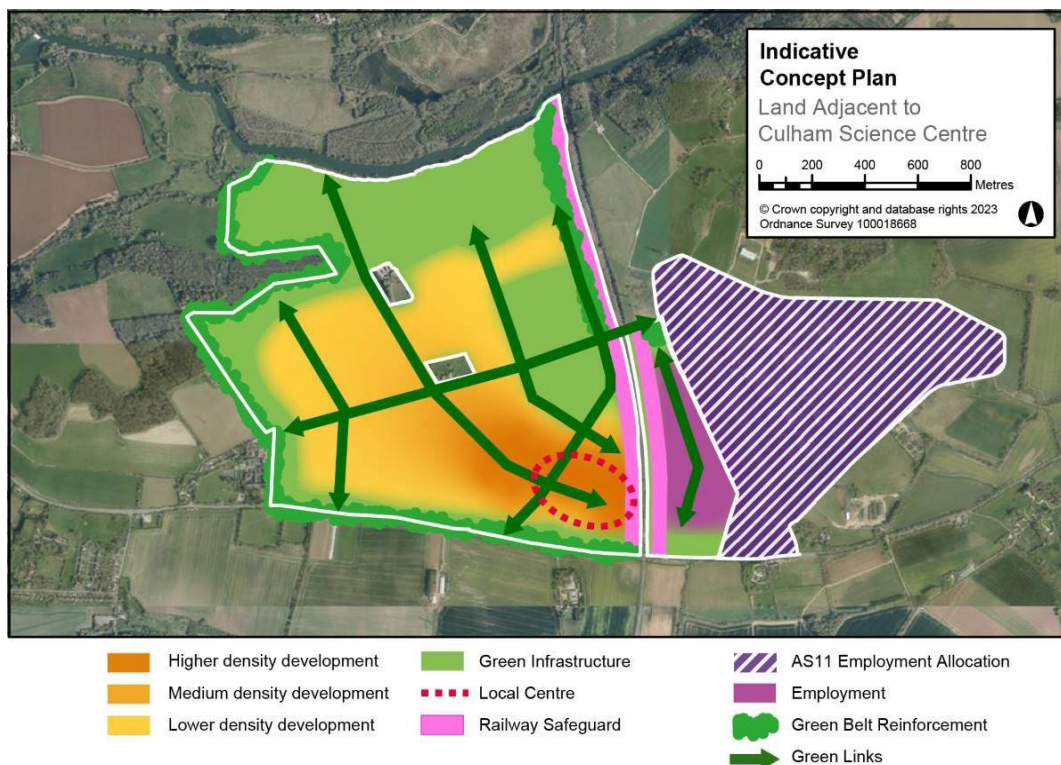


- How far do you agree or disagree with tweaking (minor changes) the Land at Berinsfield Garden Village site allocation?

- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ I don't know

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## Land adjacent to Culham Science Centre

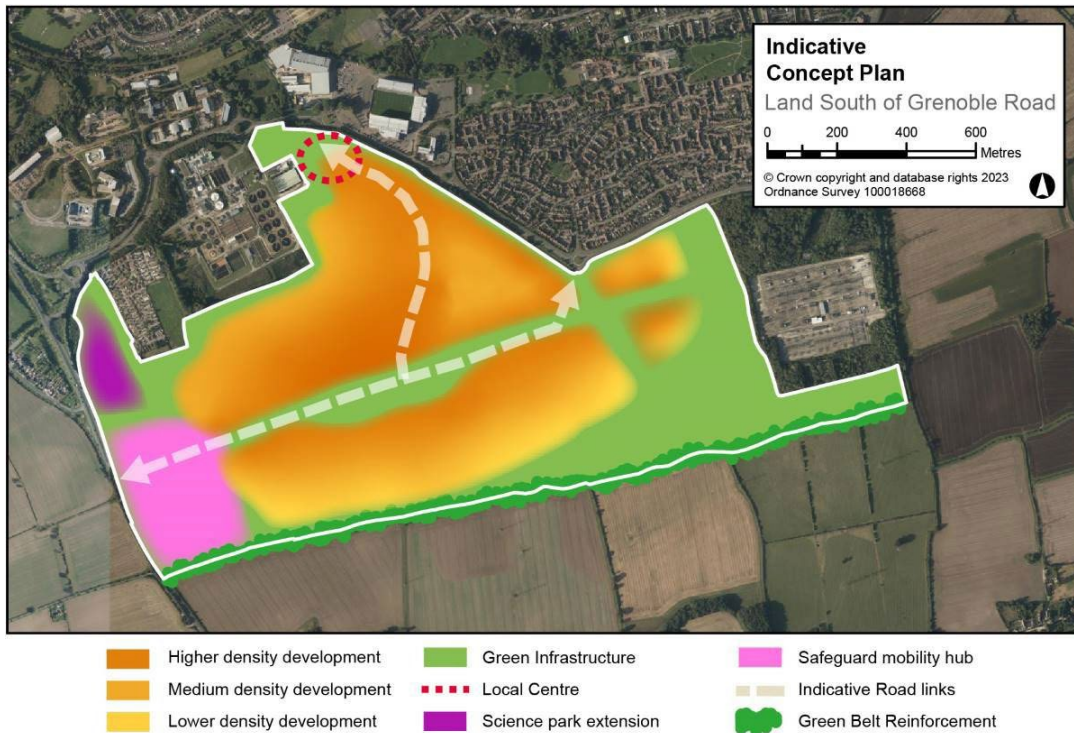


- How far do you agree or disagree with tweaking (minor changes) the Land adjacent to Culham Science Centre site allocation?

- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ I don't know

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## Land south of Grenoble Road



- How far do you agree or disagree with tweaking (minor changes) the Land south of Grenoble Road site allocation?

- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ I don't know

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## Land at Northfield



- How far do you agree or disagree with tweaking (minor changes) the land at Northfield site allocation?

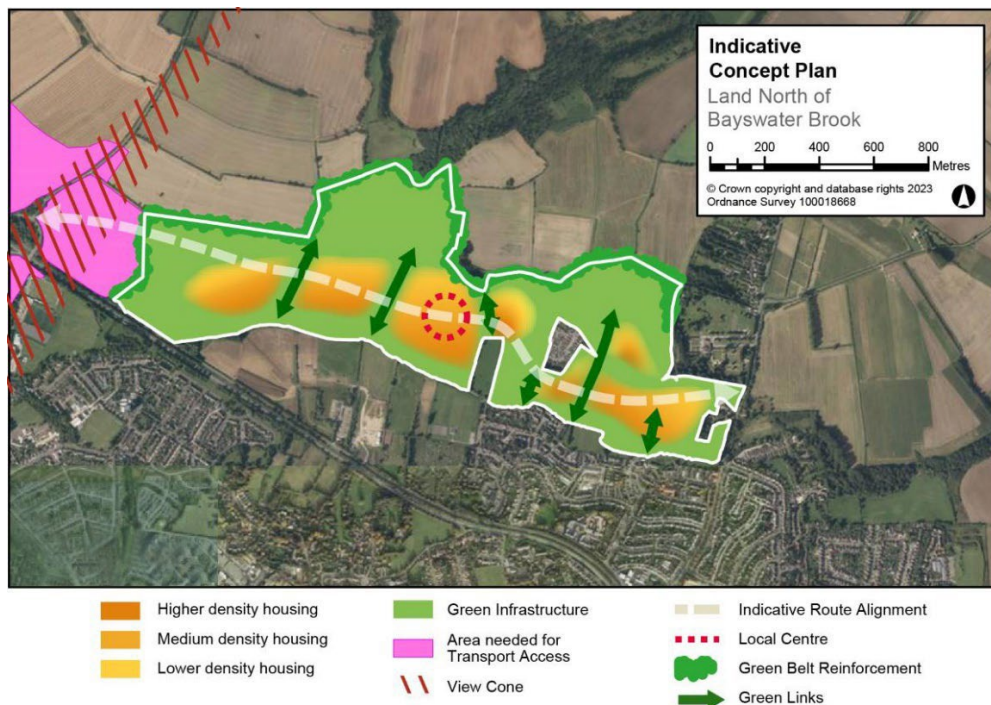
- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ I don't know

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## Land North of Bayswater Brook



- How far do you agree or disagree with tweaking (keep main site, but delete the parcel of land at Sandhills) land at North Bayswater Brook site allocation?

- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ I don't know

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## Orchard Centre Phase 2

- How far do you agree or disagree with tweaking the Orchard Centre Phase 2 site allocation (to reduce the site area to exclude the Orchard Centre, rename to “Rich’s Sidings and Broadway”, and fewer homes)

- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ I don’t know

- If you have any comments on this site, please provide them below.

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## Didcot Gateway

- How far do you agree or disagree with tweaking (fewer homes) the Didcot Gateway site allocation?

- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ I don't know

- If you have any comments on this site, please provide them below.

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## Vauxhall Barracks

- How far do you agree or disagree with keeping the Vauxhall Barracks site allocation?

- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ I don't know

- If you have any comments on this site, please provide them below.

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## **West of Priests Close, Nettlebed**

- How far do you agree or disagree with deleting West of Priests Close, Nettlebed site allocation?

- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ I don't know

- If you have any comments on this site, please provide them below.

### **Land south of Nettlebed Service Station**

- How far do you agree or disagree with deleting the land south of Nettlebed Service Station site allocation?

- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ I don't know

- If you have any comments on this site, please provide them below.



## Land at Chalgrove Airfield

- How far do you agree or disagree with deleting the land at Chalgrove Airfield site allocation?

- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ I don't know

- If you have any comments on this site, please provide them below.

## North West of Abingdon-on-Thames

- How far do you agree or disagree with keeping (as part of the site does not have planning permission) the North West of Abingdon-on-Thames site allocation?

- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ I don't know

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## North West Grove

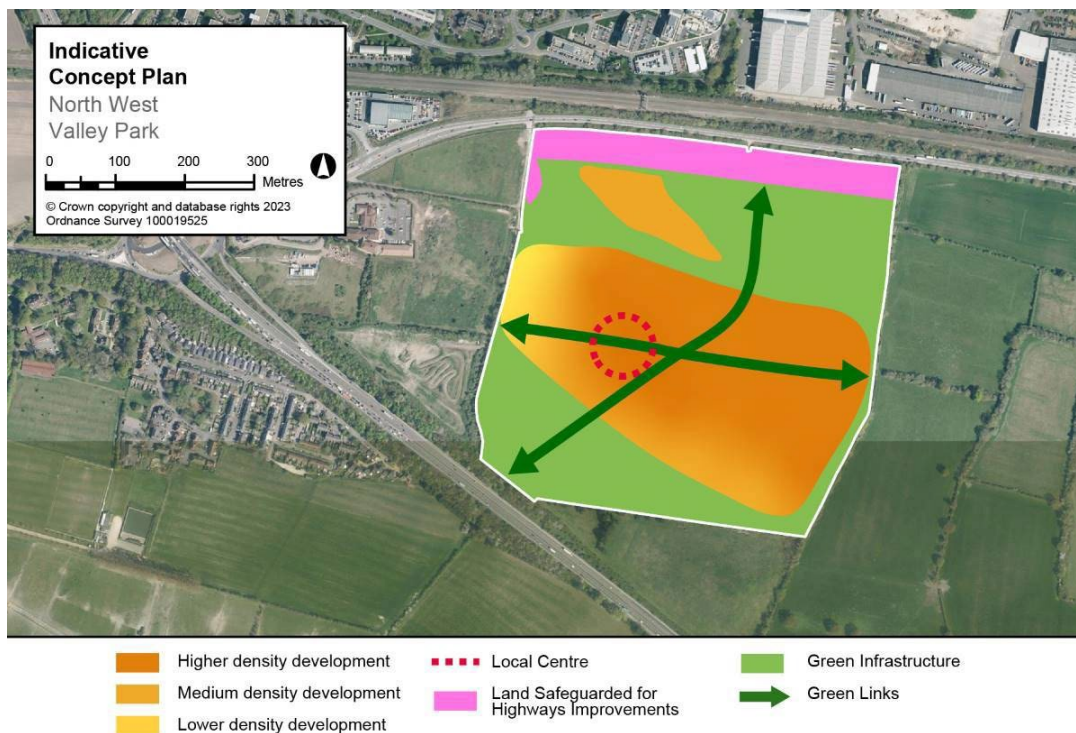


- How far do you agree or disagree with tweaking (higher number of homes to cover the new plan period, but no extra overall) the North West Grove site allocation?
- If you have any comments on this site, please provide them below.

- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ I don't know

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## North West Valley Park



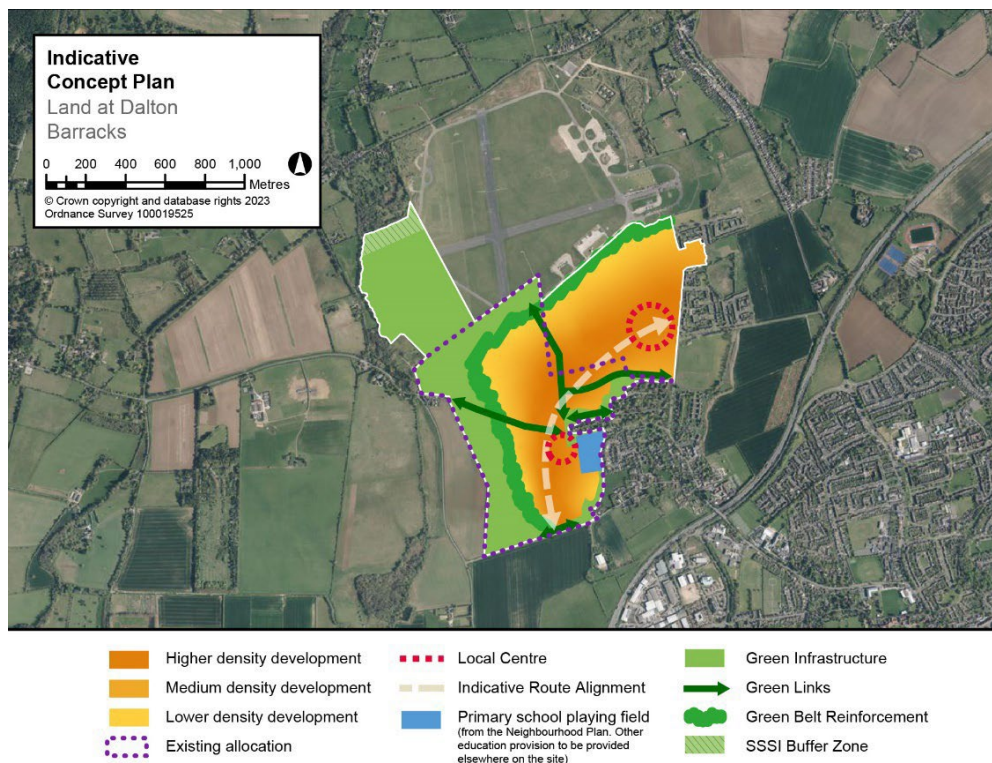
- How far do you agree or disagree with tweaking (minor changes) the North West Valley Park site allocation?

- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ I don't know

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## Land at Dalton Barracks



- How far do you agree or disagree with tweaking (extend the site area and increasing the number of homes) the Dalton Barracks site allocation?
  - ☐ Strongly agree
  - ☐ Agree
  - ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
  - ☐ Disagree
  - ☐ Strongly disagree
  - ☐ I don't know
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## **Section 14: Planning for brownfield sites**

Although the Councils do not need to make any new housing allocations to meet the housing numbers, and do not plan to make any new greenfield allocations in this local plan, where there are brownfield sites in sustainable locations which could be regenerated or re-used, we propose to allocate these to help them find a new future. Brownfield sites are pieces of land which have previously been developed, so could include old office and industrial buildings, or car parks, for example. In 2021 we asked people to suggest suitable sites in our Call for Land and Buildings Available for Change. You can see the results by searching the following link:

**[southandvale.gov.uk/call-for-land-and-buildings](https://southandvale.gov.uk/call-for-land-and-buildings)**

So far we have identified two brownfield sites we propose to allocate: the barracks area at Dalton Barracks (in Vale of White Horse), and the site where the former Council offices stood at Crowmarsh Gifford (in South Oxfordshire).



# Brownfield land at Dalton Barracks



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- What do you think are the best use(s) of the Dalton Barracks brownfield site?  
Please tick as many as you like:
  - ☐ Building new homes
  - ☐ Employment development
  - ☐ Specialist housing for the elderly and/or a care home
  - ☐ Community facilities like schools, health, leisure facilities (please state below)
  - ☐ Prefer to leave as it is
  - ☐ Not sure
  - ☐ I don't have a view
  - ☐ Other idea (please tell us below)
- This brownfield site is likely to see change over the next 15 years - what things would make this a great place? You could tell us for example your suggestions for the mix of uses, the layout, space for nature, or the types of community and transport facilities needed for this site?

## Brownfield land at Crowmarsh Gifford



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- What do you think are the best use(s) of the Crowmarsh Gifford site? Please tick as many as you like:
  - ☐ Building new homes
  - ☐ Employment development
  - ☐ Specialist housing for the elderly and/or a care home
  - ☐ Community facilities like schools, health, leisure facilities (please state below)
  - ☐ Prefer to leave as it is
  - ☐ Not sure
  - ☐ I don't have a view
  - ☐ Other idea (please tell us below)
- This brownfield site is likely to see change over the next 15 years - what things would make this a great place? You could tell us for example your suggestions for the mix of uses, the layout, space for nature, or the types of community and transport facilities needed for this site?

- Can you suggest any other brownfield sites in sustainable locations that we should consider?

Please let us know the location of the site(s) below.

## **Section 15: Anything else you want to tell us?**

- Is there anything else you would like to tell us?

- Is there anything else you would like to see in the Joint Local Plan that hasn't been covered already?

- Do you want to be notified when we consult on the draft plan (also known as the pre-submission draft), when the plan is submitted for Examination and when the Plan is adopted?

*For further information about how we use your data below, please refer to our privacy policy (available alongside this comment form), which also explains how to exercise your rights over your personal data.*

- ☐ Yes  
☐ No (**go to question 70**)

- If yes, please provide your contact details below

First name

Last name

Name of your business/organisation name (if relevant)

Name of the business or organisation you're representing (if relevant)

Email address

### **Postal address**

Address line 1

Address line 2

Address line 3

Postal town

Postcode

## Your experience of this consultation

We would like to get your feedback on your experience of this consultation. Please answer the following questions below.

- Is this the first time you have taken part in a Local Plan consultation?
  - ☐ Yes
  - ☐ No
  - ☐ I don't know
- Now that you have taken part in the Joint Local Plan consultation, how would you rate your experience?
  - ☐ Excellent
  - ☐ Good
  - ☐ Neither good nor poor
  - ☐ Poor
  - ☐ Extremely poor
  - ☐ I don't know
- Based on your experience of taking part in this Joint Local Plan consultation, how likely are you to take part in a future consultation?
  - ☐ Very likely
  - ☐ Likely
  - ☐ Neutral
  - ☐ Unlikely
  - ☐ Very unlikely
  - ☐ I don't know
- If you have any other comments about your experience, please provide them below.

- How did you hear about the Joint Local Plan consultation? Tick all that apply.

- ☐ District Council social media accounts (e.g., Facebook, Twitter, Instagram)
- ☐ Other social media accounts
- ☐ Poster
- ☐ Newsletter
- ☐ Email
- ☐ Letter
- ☐ Our website
- ☐ Another website
- ☐ Word of mouth
- ☐ Radio/TV
- ☐ Read it in the newspaper
- ☐ Parish Council
- ☐ Other (please specify):

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- What is your sex?

- ☐ Female
- ☐ Male
- ☐ Prefer not to say

- Is the gender you identify with the same as your sex registered at birth?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No (please specify below)
- ☐ Prefer not to say

**If no, please specify below.**

- How old are you?

- ☐ Under 16
- ☐ 16-24
- ☐ 25-34
- ☐ 35-44
- ☐ 45-54
- ☐ 55-64
- ☐ 65-74
- ☐ 75+
- ☐ Prefer not to say

- What is your ethnic group?

☐ Prefer not to say

**White**

☐ English, Welsh, Scottish, Northern Irish or British

☐ Irish

☐ Gypsy or Irish Traveller

☐ Roma

☐ Any other White background

**Asian or Asian British**

☐ Indian

☐ Pakistani

☐ Bangladeshi

☐ Chinese

☐ Any other Asian background

**Black, Black British, Caribbean or African**

☐ Caribbean

☐ African

☐ Any other Black, Black British or Caribbean background

**Mixed or Multiple Ethnic Groups**

☐ White and Black Caribbean

☐ White and Black African

☐ White and Asian

☐ Any other Mixed or Multiple background

**Other Ethnic Group**

☐ Arab

☐ Other (please specify):

- Do you have any physical or mental health conditions or illness lasting or expecting to last 12 months or more?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No **(skip question 80)**
- ☐ Prefer not to say **(skip question 80)**

- Do any of your conditions or illnesses reduce your ability to carry out day to day activities?

- ☐ Yes, a lot
- ☐ Yes, a little
- ☐ Not at all

## Thank you for your comments.

### What happens next

We'll review all the comments we receive and summarise them in a consultation statement. Your views will help shape the draft of the Joint Local Plan for South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse. In Autumn 2024, we expect to publish a full draft of our Joint Local Plan (the Proposed Submission Joint Local Plan) for a further stage of public comments. After this we will submit the draft plan and those comments for an independent planning inspector to examine the plan.

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