

South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse Joint Local Plan 2041

Independent Examination Hearing

Matter 3 The Housing Target/Requirement

Wednesday 4 June 2025 all day

Agenda

Please Note:

- The Hearing session will sit from 9.30am – 5pm with a short break mid-morning and mid-afternoon. Lunch will be 1.00-2.00pm.
- Participants are encouraged to familiarise themselves with the Hearing Statements (and any additional evidence) produced by the Councils and other parties in respect of the matters addressed at this Hearing session. These are available on the Examination website.
- References to Matters, Issues and Questions (MIQs) are to the MIQs for the Examination (ID02). The areas for discussion relate to points the Inspectors require further information on.

Inspectors' Opening Announcements

ISSUE – Whether the Plan has been positively prepared and whether it is justified, effective and consistent with national policy in relation to the overall provision for housing and the housing requirement?

Areas for Discussion:

General

- Calculation of housing target/requirement (Q3.1)
- Exceptional circumstances to the Standard methodology? (Q3.2)
- Oxford City's Unmet Need (Q3.3)
- Plan's approach to meeting unmet need (Q3.4).

- Local Housing Need Calculation compared to JHNA (HES15.1) calculation (Q3.5).
- JHNA calculation-use of 10-year migration trend (Q3.6)
- Alignment of LHN target and JHNA (Q3.7)
- Housing requirement and projected jobs growth (Q3.8)
- Economically active (Q3.9)
- Housing requirements justified? (Q3.10)