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West Oxfordshire Local Plan 2043 - Preferred Spatial Options

Responses only to Q3, Q5, Q7-10, and Q21-25 submitted online, and reproduced in **bold** / italics below.

3 The Local Plan period

Q1 – do you support an extended Local Plan end date of 2043?

4 The settlement hierarchy

Q2 – do you support the concept of introducing an additional tier into the Local Plan settlement hierarchy to distinguish between large and medium-sized villages? What are your reasons?

Q3 – based on the proposed five-tiered approach, do you think that the settlements listed in Table 2 above have been classified in the correct tier?

Note the debate about the validity of including Long Hanborough as a Service Centre, observing that the train service is generally only hourly with a couple of 2-hour gaps [late-Saturday down and early Sunday evening up] with two or three with-flow weekday peak extras.

Note the new addition of Salt Cross as a Service Centre.

5 The Spatial Strategy

Q4 – do you support the four proposed scales of residential development (small 1-10 units, medium 11-50 units, large 51-300 units and strategic 300+ units?) What could be the implications of defining different scales of development?

Q5 – do you support the revised spatial strategy outlined above? Would there be positive or negative implications for people and places arising from the spatial strategy?

Yes. Positive by agglomerating most of West Oxfordshire's planned long-term growth at two Principal Towns and a Service Centre within a new rail corridor as the sustainability spine; virtuous circle.

6 Meeting Identified Development Needs

Q6 – do you support the principle of West Oxfordshire meeting its identified housing and employment development needs in full? Are the [there?] environmental and infrastructure constraints, beyond those referred to in Section 6, that should influence the development requirements for the plan?

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7 Strategic Spatial Options

Q7 – do you support the principle of updating and refreshing the existing allocation for Salt Cross Garden Village as part of the Local Plan 2043?

Yes.

Q8 – should the allocation be updated, should it address the quantum of development and CWORC plus any other relevant changes in circumstance since 2018? **Yes.**

Q9 – do you support the principle of updating and refreshing the existing allocation for the West Eynsham SDA as part of the Local Plan 2043?

Yes.

Q10 – should the allocation be updated, should it address the quantum of development and the updated A40 access options assessment (June 2025) plus any other relevant changes in circumstance since 2018?

Yes.

- Q11 do you support the principle of updating and refreshing the existing allocation for the North Witney SDA as part of the Local Plan 2043?
- Q12 should the allocation be refreshed and updated, do you support a reduced quantum of development (1,250 homes) are there any other parts of the allocation that should be updated?
- Q13 do you support the principle of updating and refreshing the existing allocation for the East Chipping Norton SDA as part of the Local Plan 2043?
- Q14 should the allocation be updated, should it be based on a reduced quantum of development with a northern focus primarily on the land between London Road and Banbury Road plus any other relevant changes in circumstance since 2018?
- Q15 do you support the principle of updating the existing allocation for Reema North and Central as part of the Local Plan 2043?
- Q16 should the allocation be refreshed and updated, should it continue to be based on an assumed quantum of 300 homes plus any other relevant changes in circumstance since 2018?

Preferred Strategic Site Options

- Q17 Area A Land North of Burford Road, Witney is this a suitable location for strategic scale development? What are the reasons for or against strategic scale development in this location?
- Q18 Area B Land west of Downs Road, Witney (Peashell Farm) is this a suitable location for strategic scale development? What are the reasons for or against strategic scale development in this location?
- Q19 Area C Land South of Witney is this a suitable location for strategic scale development? What are the reasons for or against strategic scale development in this location?
- Q20 Area D Land West of Witney is this a suitable location for strategic scale development? What are the reasons for or against strategic scale development in this location?
- Q21 Area E North of Carterton (Brize Norton and Shilton) is this a suitable location for strategic scale development? What are the reasons for or against strategic scale development in this location? **Yes.** This area must be considered cumulatively in combination with Areas F, G, H, and I as vital to supporting the case for CWORC.

- Q22 Area F North East of Carterton (Brize Norton) is this a suitable location for strategic scale development? What are the reasons for or against strategic scale development in this location? **Yes.** This area must be considered cumulatively in combination with Areas E, G, H, and I as vital to supporting the case for CWORC.
- Q23 Area G North East of Carterton (Brize Norton) is this a suitable location for strategic scale development? What are the reasons for or against strategic scale development in this location? **Yes.** This area must be considered cumulatively in combination with Areas E, F, H, and I as vital to supporting the case for CWORC.
- Q24 Area H East of Brize Norton is this a suitable location for strategic scale development? What are the reasons for or against strategic scale development in this location?
- **Yes.** This area must be considered cumulatively in combination with Areas E, F, G, and I as vital to supporting the case for CWORC.
- Q25 Area I Land at West Carterton (Alvescot) is this a suitable location for strategic scale development? What are the reasons for or against strategic scale development in this location? **Yes.** This area must be considered cumulatively in combination with Areas E, F, G, and H as vital to supporting the case for CWORC.
- Q26 Area J East Chipping Norton is this a suitable location for strategic scale development? What are the reasons for or against strategic scale development in this location?
- Q27 Area K Land South West of Hanborough Station is this a suitable location for strategic scale development? What are the reasons for or against strategic scale development in this location?

8 Other Spatial Options

- Q28 do you support the principle of updating and refreshing the existing allocation for Woodford Way car park, Witney as part of the Local Plan 2043?
- Q29 should the allocation be refreshed and updated, do you agree that this should better reflect anticipated site capacity (75 homes) plus any other relevant changes in circumstance since 2018?
- Q30 Area L East of Bampton is this a suitable location for non-strategic development? What are the reasons for or against development in this location?
- Q31 Area M North of Aston is this a suitable location for non-strategic development? What are the reasons for or against development in this location?
- Q32 Area N South of Sheep Street, Burford is this a suitable location for non-strategic development? What are the reasons for or against development in this location?
- Q33 Area O Jeffersons Piece is this a suitable location for non-strategic development? What are the reasons for or against development in this location?
- Q34 Area P Land south of Hydac, Charlbury is this a suitable location for non-strategic development? What are the reasons for or against development in this location?
- Q35 Area Q South of Ducklington is this a suitable location for non-strategic development? What are the reasons for or against development in this location?
- Q36 Area R Kingham Station is this a suitable location for non-strategic development? What are the reasons for or against development in this location?
- Q37 Area S Middle Barton is this a suitable location for non-strategic development? What are the reasons for or against development in this location?

Q38 – Area T – The Downs Standlake - is this a suitable location for non-strategic development? What are the reasons for or against development in this location?

Q39 – Area U – Rousham Road, Tackley - is this a suitable location for non-strategic development? What are the reasons for or against development in this location?

Q40 – Area V – Enstone Airfield - is this a suitable location for non-strategic development? What are the reasons for or against development in this location?

Q41 – Area W – Welch Way, Witney - is this a suitable location for non-strategic development? What are the reasons for or against development in this location?