

# View Response

## Response Details

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## Question 1.

**Your Name:**

You must provide an answer to this question.

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## Question 2.

**Your organisation (if applicable):**

«No response»

### Question 3.

**Your Address:**

You must provide an answer to this question.

### Question 4.

**Your email address:**

You must provide an answer to this question.

### Question 5.

**Do you wish to be notified when the Oxford Local Plan 2036 is adopted by the Council?**

You must provide an answer to this question.

Yes

No

### Question 6.

**DATA PROTECTION:**

Please note that your response will be made available for inspection by the public in paper form at the Council's offices, or other locations as appropriate for the purpose of facilitating public access.

Your personal details will be properly safeguarded and processed in accordance with the requirements of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) 2018. Your information will be used for The Oxford Local Plan 2036 Main Modifications Consultation only, and we will only store your data until the Oxford Local Plan 2036 is adopted. Information you give in this form will be shared with the Independent Examiners.

**Please note: Anonymous representations may not be accepted.**

Select at least 1 option.

Select this box if you are happy for us to state your name and the first line of your address and postcode when publishing your response(s).

Select this box if you would rather all personal details except your name and a non-specific address (e.g. Oxford) to be obscured.

## Question 7.

**To which Modification(s) or part(s) of the Sustainability Appraisal does this response relate?**

You must provide an answer to this question.

Building on Park Farm field, which is on flood plain zone 3. (Policy SP28)

## Question 8.

**Do you Support or Object the proposed modification(s)?**

You must provide an answer to this question.

Support

Object

## Question 9.

**If you object, please state why:**

The Examination Inspectors are required to consider whether the Local Plans have been properly prepared against tests set out in the Government's National Planning Policy Framework (paragraph 182). Please tick any which apply:

Not positively prepared - i.e. the strategy will not meet development needs

Not justified - i.e. there is no evidence to justify the modification

Not effective - i.e. it won't work

Not consistent with national policy - i.e. does not comply with the law

## Question 10.

**Reason for SUPPORT or OBJECTION:**

Please give details to explain why you support or object to the wording of the Modification(s) or part(s) of the Sustainability Appraisal of the Main Modifications.

You must provide an answer to this question.

1. Flooding. It is irresponsible to build on a flood plain. A large part of Park Farm field is on flood plain Zone 3, which is riskiest part for the riverside on which to build. We have seen severe flooding to homes in recent months across the UK. Due to the Climate Emergency in which we now find ourselves, we are very likely

to continue experiencing extreme weather, and therefore flooding. I acknowledge the need for more housing in Oxford, but building on a site at great risk of flooding is not the solution.

2. Wildlife and Biodiversity. Park Farm field is directly next to an Oxford City Wildlife Site, and part of New Marston Meadows which includes a Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI). This SSSI is currently recognised at a national and international level as important for biodiversity. At the moment the field is included in green belt but if policy SP28 goes ahead it will lose this designation. This is a very important landscape within the boundaries of the city and should be preserved.

3. Cycle and pedestrian access to the city. At the moment it is easy and safe for cyclists and pedestrians to cross from Marston into the city for access to shops, schools, and work. An increase to traffic in the area will mean that cyclists and pedestrians will suffer.

## Question 11.

### **Summary of Representation:**

If your reason for support or objection is longer than 100 words, please summarise the main issues raised.

SP28 is irresponsible because it will be building on flood plains at a time when we will see a rise in flooding across the country due to the climate emergency. It will decrease biodiversity in an internationally recognised Site of Special

Scientific Interest.

It will put cyclists and pedestrians at risk.