

Oxford Local Plan 2040 Submission Draft COMMENT FORM



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Do yo	u wish to be notified when:		
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	the Inspector's Report is published?		
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GENERAL ADVICE

For advice on making a comment, please see the accompanying notes page. It is also available at <u>www.oxford.gov.uk/localplan2040</u>

When completing the form,

You only need to complete Part A once

Use Part B to make your specific comments. You may complete Part B multiple times to comment on different parts of the Oxford Local Plan 2040 Cover concisely all the information and evidence you feel supports or justifies your view, as this will normally be your only opportunity to tell us about it Be as precise as possible

HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR COMMENTS

Please submit completed forms by email or post to:

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If you have any questions please feel free to get in touch with the Planning Policy Team T: 01865 252847

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Please ensure your comments reach us by **4.00pm on Friday 5th January 2024.** Thank you for participating.

DETAILS OF YOUR COMMENT

Please read the accompanying notes before completing Part B. The notes explain what we mean by soundness and legal compliance. These are questions that we are expected to ask consultees.

Please use a new Part B for each point you are commenting on. Attach all completed forms to Part A.

Q1. Which part of the document do you wish to comment on? (please give the relevant paragraph or policy number)

Paragraph	Policies Map					
Policy Number	Sustainability Appraisal					
Q2. Do you consider that the document:						
(a) is legally compliant?	□Yes	□No				
(b) is sound?	□Yes	□No				
(c) complies with the duty to co-operate?	□Yes	□No				

Q3. Do you consider that the document is **unsound** because it is <u>not</u>: (tick as appropriate)

(a) positively prepared?	(c) effective?
(b) justified?	(d) consistent with national policy?

Q4. Please tell us below why you consider the document to be unsound, not legally compliant or fails to comply with the duty to co-operate. If you do believe the document is sound, legally compliant, or complies with the duty to co-operate you may use the box to explain why.

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Q5. What change(s) do you consider necessary to make the document sound or legally compliant? Please explain why this change will achieve soundness or legal compliance. (Please note that non-compliance with the duty to co-operate is incapable of modification at examination.) It would be helpful if you could suggest revised wording for the policy or text in question.

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Q4: Logicor supports the principle of Policy E1 Employment Strategy in that new employment generating uses and intensification / modernisation of existing sites will be expected to take place at Category 1 and 2 employment sites. Whilst the policy is supportive of a range of employment land uses, the policy should ensure that it is responsive to market demands to allow for the delivery of employment types in accordance with the needs of the local market.

The policy establishes that the approach to the network of employment sites in Oxford is to be brought forward from the previous adopted Local Plan approach, except that it will now allow for the total potential loss of lower category sites (Category 3) to housing. The policy also provides some margin for the delivery of residential land uses on all category of employment sites in the city. Logicor support this approach to ensure the protection of more strategically significant employment sites from loss to housing development.

Logicor support the provision that Category 1 employment sites, which includes Logicor's land interest at the Unipart site (Site SPS7), will be reserved for employment uses only in order to maintain the sites and wider employment areas significance within the local and regional economy. Several Category 1 sites, including Site SPS7, are likely to be inappropriate for residential development in part, or in whole. The need to avoid the loss of key employment sites permanently to residential is essential to ensure that residents of Oxford have sufficient employment opportunities, whilst the integrity of key (Category 1 and 2) employment sites aren't compromised to the detriment of the economy of the City and surrounding area.

Whilst the Policy accepts that residential uses are allowable all sites, where they do not compromise their function, Logicor support the caveated sub-section (D) to (J) objectives of the Policy. Indeed it is believed that the caveats could be made stronger in relation to Category 1 employment sites to resist their loss unless appropriate justification is provided which supports a change to residential development.