Oxford Local Plan 2042 – Interim Regulation 18 stage site assessment form incorporating sustainability appraisal

Site name	Jowett Walk (South)
SHLAA reference (and OLP2036 Policy if	664
applicable)	
Ward	Holywell
Total site size (ha)	0.12
Existing use(s)	Site currently a house, gardens and car park.



<u>Stage 1a assessment – are there any clear conflicts with national planning policy and/or any insurmountable environmental or physical constraints?</u>

Assessment criteria	Outcome	Comments
Is the site an SAC or SSSI?	No	
Is the site greenfield in flood zone 3b?	No	
Is the site area less than 0.25ha?	Yes	
Is the site already at an advanced stage in the planning process (development commenced)?	No	

Stage 1a conclusion

No clear conflicts with national policy or insurmountable environmental or physical constraints. Continue to next stage.

<u>Stage 1b assessment – Assessment of deliverability of the site including any known intentions for development.</u>

Is there confirmed landowner intention to develop	Yes
Does the landowner specify types of development	Available for student accommodation

Stage 1b conclusion

Landowner has set out intentions for development and potential uses. Continue to next stage of assessment.

<u>Stage 2 assessment – Further assessment of site deliverability, including consideration of sustainability impacts (using the Sustainability Appraisal framework)</u>

SA objective 1. To achieve the city's ambition to reach net zero carbon emissions by 2040.

See SA Objective 8 for decision-making criteria.

SA objective 2. To build **resilience to climate change**, including reducing risks from overheating, flooding and the resulting detriment to well-being, the economy and the environment.

Decision-making criteria: Is the use proposed suitable given the flood zone of the site?

Criteria	SA rating	Comments
What flood	0	Site is in Flood Zone 1
zone(s) is the		
site in?		(No surface water flood risk present on site)
Flooding of	0	There is safe access/egress from the site – area surrounding site is
land		Flood Zone 1
surrounding		
site for access/		
egress		

SA objective 3. To encourage the **efficient use of land** through good design and layout, and minimise the use of greenfield and Green Belt land.

Decision-making criteria: Will the site make use of previously developed land? And will the site be on Green Belt land?

Criteria

Previously developed land?	0	Site is previously developed land (with buildings in use on site)
Green belt?	0	Site is not on Green Belt land

SA objective 4. To meet **local housing needs** by ensuring that everyone has the opportunity to live in a decent affordable home.

Decision-making criteria: Will the site provide net new housing? And will it improve the availability of decent affordable housing?

Criteria	SA rating	Comments
Housing	1	Depends on implementation
provision		
Affordable	1	Depends on implementation
housing		
provision		

SA objective 5. To reduce poverty, social exclusion, and health **inequalities**.

Decision-making criteria: Will it improve opportunities for people in the most deprived areas? *For the purposes of this assessment, a regeneration area is defined as an area that falls within the top 20% most deprived areas nationally according to the Indices of Multiple Deprivation.*

Criteria	SA rating	Comments
Regeneration	+	Site is adjacent to a regeneration area
area (within		
the top 20%		
most deprived		
areas IMD)		

SA objective 6. To provide accessible essential **services and facilities**.

Decision-making criteria: Will it increase the provision of essential services and facilities? *See also SA Objective 8.*

Criteria	SA rating	Comments
Community	0	Site not allocated for community facilities OR amount of community
facilities		facilities remain the same due to the allocation

SA objective 7. To provide adequate **green infrastructure, leisure and recreation** opportunities and make these readily accessible for all.

Decision-making criteria: Will it increase the provision of public open space?

Criteria	SA rating	Comments
Public open	0	Site not allocated OR amount of public open space remains the same
space		due to the allocation

SA objective **8.** To reduce **traffic and associated air pollution** by improving travel choice, shortening journeys and reducing the need to travel by car/ lorry. (also SA objective 1: To achieve the city's ambition to reach net zero **carbon emissions** by 2040)

Decision-making criteria: Will it encourage walking cycling and use of public transport? And is the site within an Air Quality Management Area or in proximity to an Air Quality hotspot?

Criteria	SA rating	Comments
Sustainable	-	> 400m from a bus stop
transport links		
(bus stop)		
Sustainable	-	> 1600m from train station
transport links		
(rail station)		
Primary	-	>800m from the nearest primary school with spaces
Schools		
Secondary	-	>800m from the nearest secondary school with spaces
Schools		
GP Surgeries	-	>800m from the nearest GP Surgery
Post office	-	>800m from the nearest post office
Air Quality	-	Site is within an Air Quality Management Area (AQMA)

SA objective 9. To achieve water quality targets and manage water resources.

Decision-making criteria: Does the site contain, or is it near, a water body?

Criteria	SA rating	Comments
Water	0	Site is not within 30m of a water body

SA objective 10. To conserve and enhance Oxford's **biodiversity**.

Decision-making criteria: Will development of the site be able to protect and enhance existing flora, fauna and habitats?

Criteria	SA rating	Comments
Ecology and	+	Contains no nature conservation designations but has potential for
Biodiversity		nature conservation interest. Can improve wildlife linkages or habitat
		continuity

SA objective 11. To promote **good urban design** through the protection and enhancement of the **historic environment** and heritage assets while respecting local character and context and promoting innovation.

Decision-making criteria: Is the development of the site likely to affect the significance (including the setting) of one or more heritage assets, including any associated historic, archaeological, artistic and/or architectural features?

Criteria	SA rating	Comments
Archaeology	0	Site contains no known archaeological sites or has limited or uncertain archaeological potential
Conservation Areas & Register of Parks and Gardens (RPG)		Site lies in a conservation area (Central Area)
Listed Buildings	0	Site contains no identified historic building constraint
View Cones	0	Site lies outside of a view cone
Historic Core Area	-	Site lies within the City Council's locally designated Historic Core Area.

SA objective 12. To achieve sustainable inclusive **economic growth**, including the development and expansion of a diverse and knowledge- based economy and the culture/leisure/ visitor sector.

Decision-making criteria: Will it support key sectors that drive economic growth? And will it increase the quantity and quality of employment opportunities?

Criteria	SA rating	Comments
Employment Opportunities in the knowledge- based economy	0	No change in number of jobs/economic floorspace in knowledge-based economy
Diversifying the economy end employment opportunities	0	No change in employment base or access to affordable workspaces

Other constraints which could affect suitability of site for development

Can walking and cycling connections with the surrounding area be achieved?	Yes
Does the site include any significant physical features such as trees, rivers/streams or changes in ground level?	No
Are land contamination issues likely?	Unlikely
Does the site adjoin a sensitive land use? Is there an adjoining land use that may cause disturbance or environmental issues such as noise or smells?	No

Stage 2 conclusion		
No insurmountable constraints.	Consider site further for allocation for student accommodation.	