Oxford Local Plan 2045

Submission Draft

COMMENT FORM

Part A

You only need to fill Part A in once

Your name: Cecilia McCabe

Organisation (if applicable):

Address: [redacted]

Email:

Date: 12 March 2026

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.

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We cannot accept anonymous comments.

☒ If you are happy for us to state your name and the first line of your address and postcode when publishing your response(s), please tick this box.

☐ If you would rather all personal details except your name and a non-specific address (e.g. Oxford) to be obscured, please tick this box.

	Yes	No
Do you wish to speak at the examination hearings? (Please note that the Inspector will decide who to invite to speak)	○	◉
Do you wish to be notified when:		
the Council submit the Oxford Local Plan 2045 to the Government?	◉	○
the Inspector's Report is published?	◉	○
the Oxford Local Plan 2045 is adopted by the Council?	◉	○

GENERAL ADVICE

For advice on making a comment, please see the accompanying notes page. It is also available at www.oxford.gov.uk/oxford-local-plan-2045

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 2045.
- 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:

planningpolicy@oxford.gov.uk

Planning Policy Team
Oxford City Council
Town Hall
St Aldate's
Oxford
OX1 1BX

If you have any questions please feel free to get in touch with the Planning Policy Team
T: 01865 252847
planningpolicy@oxford.gov.uk
www.oxford.gov.uk/localplan2040

Please ensure your comments reach us by **4.00pm on Friday 13th March 2026.**
Thank you for participating.

DETAILS OF YOUR COMMENT

Part B

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

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.

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

Paragraph	355 - 358	Policies Map	
Policy Number	SPS8	Sustainability Appraisal	

Q2. Do you consider that the document:

(a) is legally compliant?	○ Yes	◉ No
(b) is sound?	○ 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 or not legally compliant. If you do believe the document is sound or legally compliant, or complies you may use the box to explain why.

I believe Policy SPS8 is Unsound because it does not take into consideration the ecological reports about sustainability. Any development here will harm the biodiversity of this natural ancient meadow. It would also destroy Iffley ' s rural conservation area. Furthermore access is difficult and would endanger an Active Travel route that is very well used especially by children, parents and older people. Finally, we have just had one of the wettest winters on record and all the forecast suggest these wet winters will continue and may worsen. This site is partly in Flood Zone 3 and the Environment Agency do not want it developed either. Natural soil and vegetation absorb a lot more flood water than concrete!

Please use an extra sheet if completing a paper copy.

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. It would be helpful if you could suggest revised wording for the policy or text in question.

The necessary change is to remove ‘ Land at Meadow Lane ’ Site SPS8 from from the list of sites available for development in LP2045

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This is the end of the comment form

From: Cecilia McCabe [redacted]
Sent on: Sunday, March 8, 2026 9:09:55 AM
To: Planning Policy <planningpolicy@oxford.gov.uk>
Subject: Local Plan 2045

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Dear Sirs

I find the complete consultation to difficult to follow so cannot complete that as I would like.

I would however like to make one specific objection:

Any development at Land at Meadow Lane SPS8 (known locally as the Horse Fields) would be unsustainable and cannot be developed in a viable fashion in accordance with local and national policy. This makes the allocation unsound, and site SPS8 should be deleted from LP 2045.

Yours faithfully

Cecilia McCabe

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