Re: Cherwell Local Plan Partial Review - Consultation on Proposed Submission Plan

I object to Policy PR1(a) to build 4,400 houses in this area for Oxford overspill. 4,400 houses is not a justified or proven requirement. It is unsustainable. Oxford should do more to meet its own needs.

I object to Policy PR3 to remove land from the Oxford Green Belt. The Green Belt preserves open spaces that are much appreciated by local residents, protects both the historic city of Oxford from overdevelopment and neighbouring villages from coalescence. Government guidance says that Green Belt is a permanent designation and that unmet housing need is not a reason for building in the Green Belt. The plan is therefore not consistent with National Policy.

I object to Policy PR11 on infrastructure because it is unsound. No costs are shown in the schedule. In most cases no source of funding is identified. There is no indication of how the already congested highway network will cope with the additional vehicles from these new houses and the other developments planned for the wider area.

Unreasonable consultation process. I object to the complexity of the consultation and its timing over the school summer holidays. The Council has not given members of the public a fair opportunity to read and understand the proposals and make their views known.

For all these reasons I consider that the proposed submission plan is:

Unsound    Not Positively Prepared    Not Justified    and    Not effective (cross out any you don’t agree with)

Important: In your own words tell Cherwell what you think of their proposals in the space below and overleaf.

Local schools are bursting at the seams as it is. Where is the provision for additional nursery/primary/secondary school places to meet the additional need?

(continue overleaf)

Post by Friday 25th to arrive 29th August 2017 (Bank Holiday Tuesday). KDW Drop off box points close 12 noon Friday 25th Aug.
To: Planning Policy Consultation
Local Plan Partial Review
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Complete all details below to validate your submission

Yours sincerely

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