

Little Milton Neighbourhood Plan - publicity period

Response 1

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Thank you for requesting comments from the Oxfordshire Clinical Commissioning Group (OCCG).
The OCCG commissions health services for all residents registered with an Oxfordshire GP Practice.

The OCCG did make comments sometime ago on the initial consultation process and these views still stand, specifically, around the cumulative effect of housing growth on the local GP practice in Wheatley who support this area.

With the large scale developments across the area there is huge pressure on already stretched GP services. This Plan makes mention of this National issue.

The OCCG would look to the NDP team and Local Planning authority to support the local health economy with funding either using CIL or Section 106 deposits.

The OCCG is very happy to have on-going conversations with the NDP team and Planning Authority to support the local health needs.

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Response 2

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The CCG comments made and noted in the draft plan on point 9.5 d are still pertinent to consider.

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See attached for SODC Planning Officer comments

Q3. You can upload supporting evidence below

- File: SODC Reg 16 response to Little Milton NP.pdf - [Download](#)

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Response 4

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National Grid has appointed Wood to review and respond to development plan consultations on its behalf.

We are instructed by our client to submit the following representation with regards to the above Neighbourhood Plan consultation.

About National Grid

National Grid owns and operates the high voltage electricity transmission system in England and Wales and operate the Scottish high voltage transmission system. National Grid also owns and operates the gas transmission system. In the UK, gas leaves the transmission system and enters the distribution networks at high pressure. It is then transported through a number of reducing pressure tiers until it is finally delivered to our customers. National Grid own four of the UK's gas distribution networks and transport gas to 11 million homes, schools and businesses through 81,000 miles of gas pipelines within North West, East of England, West Midlands and North London.

To help ensure the continued safe operation of existing sites and equipment and to facilitate future infrastructure investment, National Grid wishes to be involved in the preparation, alteration and review of plans and strategies which may affect our assets.

Specific Comments

An assessment has been carried out with respect to National Grid's electricity and gas transmission apparatus which includes high voltage electricity assets and high pressure gas pipelines, and also National Grid Gas Distribution's Intermediate and High Pressure apparatus.

National Grid has identified that it has no record of such apparatus within the Neighbourhood Plan area.

Please also note that the Neighbourhood Plan Area shown within the Neighbourhood Plan document highlights an overhead powerline crossing the Designated Area. This overhead powerline does not show up on National Grid mapping shapefiles and therefore, it would be useful to check the local electricity distribution company for information relating to this asset (see contact details below).

SSE Power Distribution – www.ssepd.co.uk

Key resources / contacts

National Grid has provided information in relation to electricity and transmission assets via the following <http://www2.nationalgrid.com/uk/services/land-and-development/planning-authority/shape-files/> The electricity distribution operator in Northumberland Council is SSE Power Distribution. Information regarding the transmission and distribution network can be found at: www.energynetworks.org.uk

Please remember to consult National Grid on any Neighbourhood Plan Documents or site-specific proposals that could affect our infrastructure.

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Response 5

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Our Reference: 5161

Dear Planning Policy team,

South Oxfordshire District Council - Consultation on Little Milton Neighbourhood Development Plan

Thank you for inviting Highways England to comment on the South Oxfordshire District Council - Consultation on Little Milton Neighbourhood Development Plan.

Highways England has been appointed by the Secretary of State for Transport as strategic highway company under the provisions of the Infrastructure Act 2015 and is the highway authority, traffic authority and street authority for the strategic road network (SRN). The SRN is a critical national asset and as such Highways England works to ensure that it operates and is managed in the public interest, both in respect of current activities and needs as well as in providing effective stewardship of its long-term operation and integrity.

We will therefore be concerned with proposals that have the potential to impact the safe and efficient operation of the SRN, in this case the A34 and M40.

We have reviewed the consultation and have no comments.

I hope the above information has been useful, please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries.

Kind Regards,
Glen

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Response 6

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Dear Sir or Madam,

Little Milton Neighbourhood Plan Examination Draft

Thank you for your e-mail of 9th May advising Historic England of the consultation on the Little Milton Neighbourhood Plan. We are pleased to make the following comments.

We welcome sub-paragraph 3.2 a) explaining a little about the historical areas of the village, but we would like to see rather more detail on its historical development.

With reference to paragraph 3.22, is the condition of heritage assets in the parish an issue ? Although none of the heritage assets in the parish are currently on the Historic England Heritage at Risk Register the Register does not include grade II listed secular buildings outside London. Has a survey of the condition of grade II buildings in the Plan area been undertaken ?

We note the comment in paragraph 3.2 a) that "Embedded within the historic village are some more modern houses, built before the Conservation Area was designated in 1984 which have had some impact on the character of the area". Has there been any or is there any ongoing loss of character, within the Conservation Area or elsewhere, through inappropriate development, inappropriate alterations to properties under permitted development rights, loss of vegetation, insensitive streetworks etc ?

We welcome the statement in sub-paragraph 4.1 a) "We wish to conserve the nucleated nature and the historic character of the village". However, we are disappointed that this is not specifically included in the Vision, although we welcome Aim 1 and related Objectives 1 and 3.

In paragraph 5.2, we welcome the recognition of "Conserve and enhance our rich and varied historic assets and their settings" (Objective 7.2 of the South Oxfordshire Local Plan 2011-2033 Final Publication Version) as we previously requested in our comments at the Regulation 14 stage.

We also welcome the statements in paragraph 6.2 that “The overall aim is to consolidate the compact form of the village, based on the historic nucleated nature of the settlement” and paragraph 6.3 that “it is necessary to ensure that new development, particularly residential development, respects the historic development pattern”.

Policy LM 1 could potentially allow for a significant number of dwellings on sites adjacent to the built-up area – we consider that the first clause is too weak to restrict the number of dwellings (it does not indicate that permission will be refused for further housing development once the cumulative level of new housing development has reached that in the Local Plan policy for a Smaller Village).

We consider it helpful to have it clarified in the policy that any proposals for infill development within or adjacent to the built-up area will be supported “subject to other Plan policies”, to avoid possible conflict and confusion between the presumption in favour of development in Policy LM1 and other policies that seek to restrict development to avoid harm to environmental assets, although we believe that it would be even clearer if the policy was to read “subject to compliance with other Plan policies”.

We are not clear why development proposals not within or immediately adjacent to the built-up area need be consistent only with local development plan policies on local landscape protection and the protection of the natural environment, and not policies for the protection of the historic environment. It would be more consistent if Policy LM1 required all proposals for development to comply with all other policies of the development plan.

We welcome Maps 7 and 8 and the section on “Conserving our Heritage”. It would be helpful to say a little more about the conservation area; e.g. when it was designated, whether or not there has been a review of the designation, what its special interest (the reason for designation) is and whether or not there is a character appraisal and/or a management plan for the conservation area.

Is there a list of locally-important buildings and features? Non-designated heritage assets, such as locally important buildings, can make an important contribution to creating a sense of place and local identity. Have the Oxfordshire Historic Environment Record and Oxfordshire Historic Landscape Character Assessment been consulted, the former for non-scheduled archaeological sites, some of which may be of national importance? (We note that the Background Evidence Studies identified in the Table on page 11 include “sites of archaeological interest”, but it is not clear where this evidence was found).

The National Planning Practice Guidance states “... where it is relevant, neighbourhood plans need to include enough information about local heritage to guide decisions and put broader strategic heritage policies from the local plan into action at a neighbourhood scale. ... In addition, and where relevant, neighbourhood plans need to include enough information about local non-designated heritage assets including sites of archaeological interest to guide decisions”.

We welcome and support Policy LM 2, which puts “broader strategic heritage policies from the local plan into action at a neighbourhood scale” (National Planning Practice Guidance).

We welcome the Village Character Assessment as Historic England considers that Neighbourhood Development Plans should be underpinned by a thorough understanding of the character and special qualities of the area covered by the Plan. Characterisation studies can also help inform locations and detailed design of proposed new development, identify possible townscape improvements and establish a baseline against which to measure change.

In addition, paragraph 58 of the National Planning Policy Framework states “...neighbourhood plans should develop robust and comprehensive policies that set out the quality of development that will be expected for the area. Such policies should be based on stated objectives for the future of the area and an understanding and evaluation of its defining characteristics.”

We therefore also welcome and support the section on Design and Character and Policy LM 5 which, together with Part B of Policy LM 4, provides the “robust and comprehensive policies” required by the Framework, with the Village Character Assessment providing the required “understanding and evaluation of its defining characteristics” underpinning the policy.

We would prefer to see an additional caveat in clause A3 of Policy LM 15 requiring new employment or commercial development outside the built-up area of the village not to have any adverse impact on heritage assets.

Finally, the preparation of the Neighbourhood Plan offers the opportunity to harness a community’s interest in the historic environment by getting the community to help add to the evidence base, perhaps by inputting to the preparation or review of a conservation area appraisal, the preparation of a comprehensive list of locally important buildings and features, or a survey of Grade II listed buildings to see if any are at risk from neglect, decay or other threats.

We hope you find these comments helpful. Should you wish to discuss any points within this letter, or if there are particular issues with the historic environment in Little Milton, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you again for consulting Historic England.

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Response 7

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Thames Water are the statutory water supply and sewerage undertaker for South Oxfordshire District and are hence a "specific consultation body" in accordance with the Town & Country Planning (Local Planning) Regulations 2012. In this context we have the following comments on the Little Milton Neighbourhood Plan:

Section 4. Vision, aims and objectives

Thames Water support paragraph 4.1 part (f) which confirms that the sewerage system in the village is likely to need upgrading before any significant development takes place.

Sewerage System

Thames Water supports the section on Sewerage System and Policy LM12. The Neighbourhood Forum have accepted the comments we made to their consultation in February 2018, and therefore we consider this section to be strong.

Water supply

Again Thames Water would like to support paragraph 9.15 on Water Supply. It correctly reflects the comments we made to their consultation in February 2018.

We hope this is of assistance. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Carmelle Bell.

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Response 8

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Oxfordshire County Council has no comments to add to those sent on the pre-Submission draft neighbourhood plan. We do not request a public examination hearing. We seek to be kept informed of any decisions on this neighbourhood plan.

Our comments on the pre-Submission draft neighbourhood plan are attached for the convenience of the Examiner. We have noted the Consultation Statement and that comments we made have resulted in changes to policy LM 12 (now LM 14); there is a new sub-section on public health; and the data on capacity of the primary school has been clarified. We would like to have seen more emphasis placed on promoting active travel to key local amenities including the pre-school and primary school, but this may not be a Basic Conditions matter. We recognise that traffic is a key issue and note the statistic in paragraph 3.9 that rush hour traffic exceeds 1,000 vehicles per hour, although the source is not referenced. The County Council's own traffic counter data from November 2013 showed the following averages 7am: 873; 8am: 948; 4pm: 790; and 5pm: 870.

Q3. You can upload supporting evidence below

- File: County response on Little Milton Submission Neighbourhood Plan June 2018.pdf - [Download](#)

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	Yes	No
Would you like to be notified of South Oxfordshire District Council's decision to 'make' (formally adopt) the plan?	X	
South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Councils have a shared planning policy mailing list. Would you like to receive planning policy updates from South Oxfordshire District Council?		
Would you like to receive planning policy updates from Vale of White Horse District Council?		
Please do not contact me again		

Response 9

Respondent Details

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Thank you for consulting the Environment Agency on the Little Milton Neighbourhood Plan.

The Environment Agency aims to reduce flood risk, while protecting and enhancing the water environment. We have had to focus our detailed engagement to those areas where the environmental risks are greatest.

Together with Natural England, English Heritage and Forestry Commission we have published joint advice on neighbourhood planning. This sets out sources of environmental information and ideas on incorporating the environment into plans. This is available at:

http://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/20140328084622/http://cdn.environmentagency.gov.uk/LIT_6524_7da381.pdf

Flood Risk As noted within the plan, parts of the plan area are within Flood Zones 2 and 3. Development should be steered to areas of lowest flood risk, Flood Zone 1. Development should not increase flood risk, and should seek to reduce flood risk where possible. We note that policy LM2 seeks to minimise the risk and impact of flooding.

Biodiversity The River Thames and Hasesley Brook form the western and southern boundaries and both are landscape features. They are home to rare and protected species and it would be beneficial if the Neighbourhood Plan could build on the protection afforded to them under the Local Plan. We are pleased to note that policy LM6 on Biodiversity and wildlife corridors now requires a biodiversity net gain.

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Response 10

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Thank you for your consultation on the above dated 9th May 2018.

Natural England is a non-departmental public body. Our statutory purpose is to ensure that the natural environment is conserved, enhanced, and managed for the benefit of present and future generations, thereby contributing to sustainable development.

Natural England is a statutory consultee in neighbourhood planning and must be consulted on draft neighbourhood development plans by the Parish/Town Councils or Neighbourhood Forums where our interests would be affected by the proposals made.

In our review of the Little Milton Neighbourhood Plan we note that: There are no designated sites or protected landscapes within or near the Neighbourhood Plan area and there are only 10-20 proposed dwellings for which there are no proposed development sites.

As a result we have no specific comment to make.

Further Recommendations Natural England would like to highlight that removal of green space in favour of development may have serious impacts on biodiversity and connected habitat and therefore species ability to adapt to climate change. We recommend that the final local plan include:

Policies around connected Green Infrastructure (GI) within the parish. Elements of GI such as open green space, wild green space, allotments, and green walls and roofs can all be used to create connected habitats suitable for species adaptation to climate change. Green infrastructure also provides multiple benefits for people including recreation, health and wellbeing, access to nature, opportunities for food growing, and resilience to climate change. Annex A provides examples of Green Infrastructure; Policies that recognise existing priority habitats (see Annex A) in terms of the biodiversity value of the area with the potential to enhance them through Biodiversity Net Gain. Please ensure that any development policy in your plan includes wording to ensure "all development results in a biodiversity net gain for the parish". This is in line with Section 40 of the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006 and section 109 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

Annex A provides information on the natural environment and issues and opportunities for your Neighbourhood planning.

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- File: 246317 Natural England's Response. Little Milton Neighbourhood Plan. Oxfordshire.pdf - [Download](#)

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