South and Vale Validation Checklist consultation

CONSULTATION REPORT

A review of the feedback received to the South and Vale Validation Checklist consultation.

NOVEMBER 2022

Note: When stating percentages in the analysis, we are referring to the percentage of respondents that answered the specific question, rather than the total number of responses to the overall survey. Response percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding up over .5 and rounding down under .5. Words that appear in italics are quotes taken from comments received.

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SUMMARY

This report has been produced by council officers to analyse the comments received to the South and Vale Validation Checklist consultation. A response has been provided to all comments made and, where appropriate, changes have been made to the relevant documents.

The purpose of the consultation was to seek the views of those who regularly or have previously submitted planning applications to South Oxfordshire and/or Vale of White Horse District Councils to ensure that the documents covered all documents required for submission with a planning application as well as being user friendly.

The consultation focused on the recently reviewed validation checklists for a number of statutory application types as well as the newly produced guidance document which sits alongside these.

The consultation ran for 6 weeks and a total of 17 completed responses were received.

The key findings were

- Most had no strong feelings about the checklists or the guidance document
- Some clarification was required to highlight specific requirements regarding the documentation and that this is to be found in the guidance document
- Amendments were required to a number of the checklists as they were asking for unnecessary plans/documents

In response to the consultation findings we have made amendments to both the guidance document and validation checklists. Details of the specific changes that have been made in response to comments can be found in the table below under officer response.

BACKGROUND TO THE ENGAGMENT

A review of the validation checklists for South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Councils was last carried out in June 2020. The National Planning Practice Guidance (NPPG) states that a local validation list should be reviewed at least every 2 years. As a result of the review in May 2022 an update of the validation checklists has been carried out in order to ensure the inclusion of key legislative and policy changes. The main changes being the addition of the legislative requirement for a fire statement, the changes in policy which require the submission of a sustainability statement and health impact assessment and the requirement to submit an energy statement for applications in South Oxfordshire.

Alongside the updated validation checklists, there was a comprehensive guidance document to assist those submitting planning applications. Over half the applications submitted to South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Councils are invalid on receipt. This not only has implications for staff workloads but also impacts upon the customer who as a result, experiences an avoidable delay to the processing of their planning application.

In line with guidance set out in the NPPG, we have sought views on the updated planning application Validation Checklists and on the Validation Guide via a public consultation process. The feedback received has been used to make and inform amendments to these documents. The updated documents will replace the current lists.

ENGAGEMENT METHODOLOGY

How we undertook the consultation.
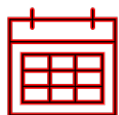
The consultation ran for 6 weeks from Thursday 29 September 2022 until midnight on Thursday 10 November 2022.

The consultation was targeted at and sent to 1,118 agents, developers, landowners and businesses/organisations registered on the council's consultation database. Letters were also issued to 3 consultees registered to receive updates via post.
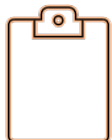
An online survey was created to gather feedback on the validation checklists. It asked respondents to indicate their level of agreement to several statements about the checklists and guide. Respondents could also provide free text comments to express their views further if they wished. A copy of the survey and comments received are available to view in this report.

A link to the online survey was also made available on the council's webpages.

Reporting methodology

A total of 17 completed responses were received. This is made up of 11 responses via the online survey and 6 received via email which were manually added to the results.

Thames Water and JCE Planning & Architectural Consultancy submitted the same comment multiple times throughout the survey. The comments have been acknowledged once; all other duplicates have been removed.

John Phillips Planning Consultancy (JPPC) and Sport England submitted attachments via email to support their comments. All attachments are available alongside this report as an appendix.

The full results to the consultation are included in this report, alongside an officer response.

Any personal information supplied to us within the comments that could identify anyone has been redacted and will not be shared or published in the report. Further information on data protection is available in our general consultation's privacy statement on our South or Vale website.

Some spelling errors in the original comments raised were corrected.

COMMUNICATION

A copy of the email notification issued to consultees on the council's consultation database is provided below. The text was adapted for consultees who opted to receive postal notifications.

Subject: Have your say on the South and Vale Validation Checklists

Dear Sir/Madam

South Oxfordshire and the Vale of White Horse District Councils are seeking your views on the updated planning application Validation Checklists and Validation Guide.

The Validation Checklists are used to identify which plans and documents are required to be submitted with the various planning applications people make. The Validation Guide is to help people submitting planning applications to understand what plans and documents are needed and the information those documents and plans should contain.

You can view the proposed documents on the online comment form using the link provided below.

This consultation will run from **Thursday 29 September until midnight on Thursday 10 November 2022.**

How to comment
The quickest and easiest way to comment is to use our [online comment form available here](#).

Note that this is a unique link just for you and is tied to your email address. If you would like to forward this message to anybody else, please refer them to the [public link to the survey](#).

What happens next
Once the consultation has closed, we will consider all comments received and amend the Local List as appropriate. The final list will be approved by the council's cabinet members. Once approved, this will replace the current Local List requirements and will form the basis against which the district councils will assess and approve applications. The consultation results will be published on our websites: [South](#) and [Vale](#).

We look forward to hearing your views.

Kind regards

Natasha Ireland
Planning Business Manager
South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Councils

If you have any questions about the Validation Checklists and Validation Guide, please email registration@southandvale.gov.uk or call 01235 422600.

If you have any queries about the survey form or require it in an alternative format (for example: large print, Braille, audio, Easy Read or alternative languages) please email haveyoursay@southandvale.gov.uk or call 01235 422425.

Opt out: If you do not wish to receive further emails from us like this, please [click here](#) and you will be removed from our consultation mailing list. Please note, we may still need to contact you for

certain consultations if we have a legal obligation to do so.

Data protection: Please refer to our privacy policy regarding how your personal data is used for this consultation, available on the consultation page of our websites: [South](#) or [Vale](#). If you would like to know more about the council's data protection registration or to find out about your personal data, please visit our websites: [South](#) or [Vale](#).

SURVEY AND RESULTS

A copy of the survey is provided below which includes the full results alongside an officer response.

South and Vale Validation Checklist Consultation

South Oxfordshire and the Vale of White Horse District Councils are seeking your views on the updated planning application Validation Checklists and on the Validation Guide. Your views are important to us and will be used to make any amendments to these documents before they are approved, they will also replace the previous lists.

This survey will ask you questions on both the Validation Checklists and the Validation Guide. You can review all documents by following the links below. The links are also available throughout the survey.

Validation Checklists
Advertisement Consent Validation Checklist
Approval of Detail Reserved by Condition
CLOPUD Application Validation Checklist
CLUED Application Validation Checklist
Full Planning Application (Major) Validation Checklist
Full Planning Application Validation Checklist
Householder Application Validation Checklist
Listed Building Consent Application Checklist
Outline Planning Application (Minor) Validation Checklist
Outline Planning Application (Minor) Validation Checklist
Permission in Principle Application Validation Checklist
Reserved Matters Planning Application Validation Checklist
S73 Validation Checklist

Validation Guide
Public Consultation Validation Guide

Please note the deadline for completing this survey is **11.59pm on Thursday 10 November.**

What happens next?
Once the consultation has closed, we will consider all comments received and amend the Local List as appropriate. The final list will be approved by the council's cabinet members. Once approved, this will replace the current Local List requirements and will form the basis against which the district councils will assess and approve applications. The consultation results will be published on our websites: South and Vale.

If you have any questions about the Validation Checklists and Guide, please email registration@southandvale.gov.uk or call 01235 422600.
If you have any questions about this survey or require it in an alternative format (for example large print, Braille, audio, Easy Read and alternative languages) please

email haveyoursay@southandvale.gov.uk or call 01235 422425.

Personal details?
If you are responding on behalf of an business/organisation or an agent, developer or landowner we ask you to provide its name - the consultation summary report may include this information. All personal information supplied to the councils will be handled in accordance with the Data Protection Act 2018. Further information on data protection is available in our privacy statement.

Q1. Are you responding as:

	Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	an agent, developer or landowner		12%	2
2	a business/organisation		71%	12
3	other (please specify):		18%	3

Other (please specify):

- *Advisory body*
- *Woodcote Parish Council*
- *Charity*

The majority of responses (12) are from businesses/organisations.

Q2. What is the name of your business/organisation, or who are you representing?

- *Thames Water*
- *Cumnor Parish Council*
- *Historic England*
- *JCE Planning & Architectural Consultancy*
- *JCE Planning & Architecture*
- *John Phillips Planning Consultancy (JPPC)*
- *Marine Management Organisation*
- *National Highways*
- *Natural England*
- *Network Rail*
- *Oxford Preservation Trust*
- *Scottish & Southern Electricity Networks*
- *South Oxfordshire District Committee of CPRE*
- *Sport England*
- *The Coal Authority*
- *The Environment Agency*
- *Woodcote Parish Council*

Q3. Have you submitted a planning application to South Oxfordshire and/or Vale of White Horse District Councils before?

Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes		45%	5
2	No		55%	6

Most respondents (6) have not submitted a planning application to South Oxfordshire and/or Vale of White Horse District Councils before. However, 5 respondents said they have.

Q4. Which district have you submitted an application to? Tick all that apply.

Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	South Oxfordshire		100%	5
2	Vale of White Horse		80%	4

Of the 5 respondents that answered this question, all have submitted an application to South Oxfordshire. 4 respondents have also submitted an application to Vale of White Horse.

Validation checklists

Q5. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement:

The validation checklist is user friendly and easy to follow.

Answer Choices	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Not applicable	Response Total
Advertisement Consent Validation Checklist	0% 0	25% 2	63% 5	0% 0	13% 1	0% 0	8
Approval of Detail Reserved by Condition	0% 0	25% 2	63% 5	0% 0	13% 1	0% 0	8
CLOPUD Application Validation Checklist	0% 0	25% 2	63% 5	0% 0	13% 1	0% 0	8
CLUED Application Validation Checklist	0% 0	25% 2	63% 5	0% 0	13% 1	0% 0	8
Full Planning Application (Major) Validation Checklist	0% 0	25% 2	63% 5	0% 0	13% 1	0% 0	8
Full Planning Application Validation Checklist	0% 0	25% 2	63% 5	0% 0	13% 1	0% 0	8
Householder Application Validation Checklist	0% 0	25% 2	63% 5	0% 0	13% 1	0% 0	8
Listed Building Consent Application Checklist	0% 0	25% 2	63% 5	0% 0	13% 1	0% 0	8
Outline Planning Application (Minor) Validation Checklist	0% 0	25% 2	63% 5	0% 0	13% 1	0% 0	8

Outline Planning Application (Minor) Validation Checklist	0% 0	25% 2	63% 5	0% 0	13% 1	0% 0	8
Permission in Principle Application Validation Checklist	0% 0	25% 2	63% 5	0% 0	13% 1	0% 0	8
Reserved Matters Planning Application Validation Checklist	0% 0	25% 2	63% 5	0% 0	13% 1	0% 0	8
S73 Validation Checklist	0% 0	25% 2	63% 5	0% 0	13% 1	0% 0	8

The boxes highlighted in green show the highest response rate to each checklist. The most common answer to each checklist was neither agree nor disagree. This was followed by 'agree' which was selected by 2 respondents (25%) and then 1 respondent (13%) who selected 'disagree' about the validation checklist being user friendly and easy to follow.

Q6. If you have any comments on the checklists, please provide your comments below and state which checklist(s) you are referring to.

5 respondents answered this question.

ID number	Comment	Officer response
200619437	These checklists (all of them) are utterly useless and will simply add to the already burdened workload your officers have to deal with. The checklists serve no purpose and for the most part are simply word-for-word duplications of the planning portal applications forms. For example, the Approval of Detail Reserved by Condition checklist requires me to provide the site address in the checklist. Why? For what purpose? You already know the address because it was submitted through the planning portal. Each of these validation checklists have several pointless duplications included within them that serve no purpose whatsoever. Stop duplicating things that don't need duplication.	At present the percentage of applications that are valid on receipt is below 50%. As such there is a clear need for more guidance available prior to submission for more than 50% of the applications made to us. The checklists take account of the fact that not all submissions are made to us via the Planning Portal but also that we cannot make the submission of all documents which *may* be required mandatory via the Planning Portal. Additionally the checklists will assist those submitting to check they have included the detail required as well as acting as a checklist for our registration officers
200621564	If the system requires these documents anyway, why is a checklist needed? They are good for guidance, but for those who submit many applications, this would just waste everyone's time However, in case you really want to introduce them, please allow the "site plan/block plan" to be called as "site layout plan" also. Some Validation Officer accepted the drawing	A significant proportion of applications submitted to us are one-off interactions – householders with no prior knowledge or little understanding of the planning system. The checklists and guidance

	only after we revised the name without any other change, however, we have submitted many applications like this, and this should be clear for the person who validates these. If this plan can be accepted at a scale of 1:250 as well, that would be great. This can be useful in cases when the 1:200 scale doesn't fit on the same paper as the rest of the package, and 1:500 (less visible details) is not necessary as the plot is small but long to show the vision splays etc. Most of the officers print the plans at A3 rather than A1 (or any other large scale - I personally support wasting less paper), we try to make their job easier by placing the site layout plans on A3 whenever possible, but this sometimes requires it to be at 1:250 scale. Please consider this approach. All checklists are affected by this comment, especially the validation guide which gives further information.	document are designed to help them better navigate the submission process. Due to the complexity and differing situations when various documents are required it is not currently possible to configure the Planning Portal system to require all documents when they are actually required e.g. a flood risk assessment will not be required for all applications for full planning permission. We try to take a pragmatic approach to the scales at which we will accept documents and we often do accept location plans at a different scale for large sites. However, a consistency of approach is required as a starting point to ensure clarity for both planning staff but also the wider public when looking at planning applications. We would note that we no longer print any of the documents submitted and all work is done electronically.
201781469	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 does not consider that the Validation Checklists pose any likely risk or opportunity in relation to our statutory purpose, and so does not wish to comment on this consultation. The lack of comment from Natural England should not be interpreted as a statement that there are no impacts on the natural environment. Other bodies and individuals may wish to make comments that might help the Local Planning Authority (LPA) to fully take account of any environmental risks and opportunities relating to this document. If you disagree with our assessment of this proposal as low risk, or should the proposal be amended in a way which significantly affects its impact on the natural environment, then in accordance with	Noted.

	Section 4 of the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006, please consult Natural England again.	
201918781	Network Rail 1st Floor Bristol Temple Point Bristol BS1 6NL My Ref: P/TP21/ Your Ref: Date: 20 October 2022 TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 (as amended) PROPOSAL: South and Vale Validation Checklists Dear Sir/Madam, Thank you for consulting Network Rail on the South and Vale Validation Checklists. This letter forms the basis of our response. Network Rail is a statutory undertaker responsible for maintaining and operating the country's railway infrastructure and associated estate. Network Rail owns, operates, maintains and develops the main rail network. This includes the railway tracks, stations, signalling systems, bridges, tunnels, level crossings and viaducts. The preparation of development plan policy is important in relation to the protection and enhancement of Network Rail's infrastructure. As Network Rail is a publicly funded organisation with a regulated remit it would not be reasonable to require Network Rail to fund rail improvements necessitated by commercial development. It is therefore appropriate to require developer contributions to fund such improvements. Transport Assessments and Level Crossings Network Rail needs to monitor and assess new development that may have an impact on rail services and/or safety of existing infrastructure. In order to carry out this function it is vital that sufficient information is submitted with a planning application. It is noted that the Validation Guide requires the submission of a Transport Assessment for outline applications and full planning permission, the TA should reflect the scale of the development and the extent of the transport implications of the proposal. We recommend that any development of land which would result in a material increase or significant change of the	We have amended the details on when a transport assessment is required. There was a formatting issue which made it appear there was only one trigger for a transport assessment to be submitted. We have separated out the two individual triggers.

traffic using existing rail infrastructure (particularly level crossings) and/or require rail improvements should also be added to this list of development when a TA is required.

Network Rail has a strong policy to guide and improve its management of level crossings, which aims to; reduce risk at level crossings, reduce the number and types of level crossings, ensure level crossings are fit for purpose, ensure Network Rail works with users / stakeholders and supports enforcement initiatives. Without significant consultation with Network Rail and if proved as required, approved mitigation measures, Network Rail would be extremely concerned if any future development impacts on the safety and operation of any of the level crossings within Teignbridge. The safety of the operational railway and of those crossing it is of the highest importance to Network Rail.

Level crossings can be impacted in a variety of ways by planning proposals:
• By a proposal being directly next to a level crossing
• By the cumulative effect of development added over time
• By the type of crossing involved
• By the construction of large developments (commercial and residential) where road access to and from site includes a level crossing
• By developments that might impede pedestrians ability to hear approaching trains
• By proposals that may interfere with pedestrian and vehicle users' ability to see level crossing warning signs
• By any developments for schools, colleges or nurseries where minors in numbers may be using a level crossing
• By any development or enhancement of the public rights of way

It is Network Rail's and indeed the Office of Rail Regulation's (ORR) policy to reduce risk at level crossings not to increase risk as could be the case with an increase in usage. The Office of Rail Regulators, in their policy, hold Network Rail accountable under the Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999, and that risk control should, where practicable, be achieved through the elimination of level crossings in favour of bridges or diversions.

The Council have a statutory responsibility under planning legislation to consult the statutory rail undertaker where a proposal for development is likely to result in a material increase in the rail volume or a material change in the character of traffic using a level crossing over a railway:-

• (Schedule 4 (j) of the Town & Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) Order, 2015) requires that "…development which is likely to result in a

	material increase in the volume or a material change in the character of traffic using a level crossing over a railway" (public footpath, public or private road) the Planning Authority's Highway Engineer must submit details to both the Secretary of State for Transport and Network Rail for separate approval. The developer is required to fund any required qualitative improvements to the level crossing as a direct result of the development proposed. Consultation on pre-application and planning applications Network Rail is a statutory consultee for any planning applications within 10 metres of relevant railway land and for any development likely to result in a material increase in the volume or a material change in the character of traffic using a level crossing over a railway. With this in mind any planned future development (both residential and employment) should take into account any adverse impact on railway. This might be an increase in the use of an existing level crossing. It could be that the predicted growth, may increase future demands at nearby stations which may, in turn, necessitate the need for enhancements to existing facilities such as waiting rooms, toilets and parking. Where there is an adverse impact on the operation of the railway, Network Rail will require appropriate mitigation measures to be delivered as part of the planning application process. We would therefore appreciate the Council providing Network Rail with an opportunity to comments on any future pre-application or planning applications should they be submitted for sites adjoining the railway or within close proximity to the railway as we may have more specific comments to make (further to those above). We trust these comments will be considered in your preparation of the forthcoming validation documents.	
203617826	No Comment	

Q7. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement:

The validation checklist asks for information which is relevant and necessary to determine the application.

Answer Choices	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Not applicable	Response Total
Advertisement Consent Validation Checklist	0% 0	25% 2	50% 4	0% 0	25% 2	0% 0	8
Approval of Detail Reserved by Condition	0% 0	25% 2	50% 4	0% 0	25% 2	0% 0	8

South Oxfordshire District Council
Vale of White Horse District Council
Listening Learning Leading

CLOPUD Application Validation Checklist	0% 0	25% 2	50% 4	0% 0	25% 2	0% 0	8
CLUED Application Validation Checklist	0% 0	25% 2	50% 4	0% 0	25% 2	0% 0	8
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Full Planning Application Validation Checklist	0% 0	25% 2	38% 3	13% 1	25% 2	0% 0	8
Householder Application Validation Checklist	0% 0	25% 2	38% 3	13% 1	25% 2	0% 0	8
Listed Building Consent Application Checklist	0% 0	25% 2	50% 4	0% 0	25% 2	0% 0	8
Outline Planning Application (Minor) Validation Checklist	0% 0	25% 2	38% 3	13% 1	25% 2	0% 0	8
Outline Planning Application (Minor) Validation Checklist	0% 0	25% 2	38% 3	13% 1	25% 2	0% 0	8
Permission in Principle Application Validation Checklist	0% 0	25% 2	50% 4	0% 0	25% 2	0% 0	8
Reserved Matters Planning Application Validation Checklist	0% 0	25% 2	50% 4	0% 0	25% 2	0% 0	8
S73 Validation Checklist	0% 0	25% 2	50% 4	0% 0	25% 2	0% 0	8

The boxes highlighted in green show the highest response rate for each checklist. The most common answer to each checklist was neither agree nor disagree. There was a fairly even split of 2 respondents (25%) selecting the 'agree' option and 2 respondents (25%) selecting 'strongly disagree' that the validation checklist asks for information which is relevant and necessary to determine the application.

Q8. If you have any comments on the checklists, please provide your comments below and state which checklist(s) you are referring to.

7 respondents answered this question.

ID number	Comment	Officer response
200490802	As you will be aware, Thames Water are the statutory water supply and sewerage undertaker for the South and Vale area and are hence a "specific consultation body" in accordance with the Town & Country Planning (Local Planning) Regulations 2012. We have the following comments on the consultation in relation to our water supply and sewerage undertakings. 7.24 Drainage Report – Foul and/or Surface Water Thames Water support the requirement for a 'Foul sewage and/or Surface Water' statement in the Local	Thank you for your response. We have amended the guidance document to request a drainage *and* water report as well as amending the requirements of this document to reflect the addition of water infrastructure considerations.

Validation Checklist, but consider that it should be extended to also cover water supply/efficiency and sewerage/wastewater infrastructure. The section 7.24 should be amended to : Drainage and Water Report – Foul and/or Surface Water and Water Supply/Efficiency.

Water supply and sewerage/wastewater infrastructure is essential to any development. Failure to ensure that any required upgrades to the infrastructure network are delivered alongside development could result in adverse impacts in the form of internal and external sewer flooding and pollution of land and water courses and/or low water pressure.

A key sustainability objective for the consideration of applications [and the preparation of Local Plans and Neighbourhood Plans] should be for new development to be co-ordinated with the infrastructure it demands and to take into account the capacity of existing infrastructure. Paragraph 20 of the revised National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF), 2021, states: "Strategic policies should set out an overall strategy for the pattern, scale and quality of development, and make sufficient provision for… infrastructure for waste management, water supply, wastewater…"

Paragraph 11 states: "Plans and decisions should apply a presumption in favour of sustainable development. For plan-making this means that:
a) All plans should promote a sustainable pattern of development that seeks to: meet the development needs of their area; align growth and infrastructure; improve the environment; mitigate climate change (including by making effective use of land in urban areas) and adapt to its effects"

Paragraph 28 relates to non-strategic policies and states: "Non-strategic policies should be used by local planning authorities and communities to set out more detailed policies for specific areas, neighbourhoods or types of development. This can include allocating sites, the provision of infrastructure…"

Paragraph 26 of the revised NPPF goes on to state: "Effective and on-going joint working between strategic policy-making authorities and relevant bodies is integral to the production of a positively prepared and justified strategy. In particular, joint working should help to determine where additional infrastructure is necessary…."

The web based National Planning Practice Guidance (NPPG) includes a section on 'water supply, wastewater and water quality' and sets out that Local Plans should be the focus for ensuring that investment plans of water and sewerage/wastewater companies align with development needs. The introduction to this section also sets out that "Adequate water and wastewater infrastructure is needed to support sustainable development" (Paragraph: 001, Reference ID: 34-001-20140306).

It is important to consider the net increase in water and wastewater demand to serve the development and also any impact that developments may have off site, further down the network. The Validation Checklist should therefore seek to ensure that there is adequate water and wastewater infrastructure to serve all new developments. Thames Water will work with developers and local authorities to ensure that any necessary infrastructure reinforcement is delivered ahead of the occupation of development. Where there are infrastructure constraints, it is important not to under estimate the time required to deliver necessary infrastructure. For example: local network upgrades take around 18 months and Sewage Treatment & Water Treatment Works upgrades can take 3-5 years.

The Environment Agency has designated the Thames Water region to be an area of "serious water stress" which reflects the extent to which available water resources are used. Future pressures on water resources will continue to increase and key factors are population growth and climate change. On average our customers each use 30% more water than they did 30 years ago. Therefore water efficiency measures employed in new development are an important tool to help us sustain water

supplies for the long term.

Water conservation and climate change is a vitally important issue to the water industry. Not only is it expected to have an impact on the availability of raw water for treatment but also the demand from customers for potable (drinking) water. Therefore, Thames Water support the mains water consumption target of 110 litres per head per day (105 litres per head per day plus an allowance of 5 litres per head per day for gardens) as set out in the NPPG (Paragraph: 014 Reference ID: 56-014-20150327) and compliance with this should be covered in the Drainage and Water Report.

Thames Water offer a free Pre-Planning service which confirms if capacity exists to serve the development or if upgrades are required for potable water, waste water and surface water requirements. Details on Thames Water's free pre planning service are available at: https://www.thameswater.co.uk/developers/larger-scale-developments/planning-your-development/water-and-wastewater-capacity

Thames Water consider it would be helpful if this free service/website address are included within the document.

Thames Water published and circulated in Spring 2022 to all Local Planning Authorities in their area an updated "Water Services Infrastructure Guide for LPAs on Planning Application & Development Plan Consultation with Thames Water Utilities as Statutory Water and Sewerage Undertaker". This will be off assistance when determining which planning applications to consult Thames Water on.

Abingdon Reservoir
The Abingdon reservoir site is safeguarded as identified on the Policies Map in the Local Plan Part 2 and safeguarded by Core Policy 14.
The Council should consult Thames Water on any planning applications within the reservoir safeguarded area.

200619437	As above, the checklists are entirely pointless and duplicate existing forms.	Not all submissions are made via the Planning Portal.
201781469	Natural England has no comments on the Validation Checklists	Noted
202984510	OPT would ask the Council to consider whether it could include reference to View Cones within the relevant validation checklists. This mainly applies to the Vale of White Horse District Area where two view cones are located. If any proposal is located within a View Cone a visual impact assessment should be required, and this could be facilitated by a requirement within the checklist.	We have included the reference to view cones. We would typically expect view cones and view points to be the subject of discussion prior to submission and these matters are ordinarily covered in any LVIA that may need to accompany any relevant planning application.
203573759	We are pleased to note the sections on Biodiversity/Ecology, Contaminated Land and Flood Risk Assessments in your validation checklist. Climate change allowances have been updated recently. We note that current climate change advice can be accessed via the "planning applications" link in paragraph 7.27.7: then scroll to the "flood zones 2 and 3" link in "how to do an assessment", then "assess flood risk" where you can find the link to climate change advice.	Noted
203617826	Include details of how the proposal complies with current planning policy and any local Neighbourhood plans	We would expect to see this information submitted within the planning statement. There is a statutory requirement to determine planning applications in accordance with the development plan and therefore this will form part of the officer assessment for every application.

Validation Guide

Q9. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements. The Validation Guide is:

Answer Choices	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Not applicable	Response Total
user friendly and easy to follow	0% 0	25% 2	63% 5	0% 0	13% 1	0% 0	8
clearly explains why and when specific documents are required	0% 0	25% 2	63% 5	0% 0	13% 1	0% 0	8

Most respondents (5) neither agree nor disagree that the validation guide is user friendly and easy to follow, and that it clearly explains why and when specific documents are required, this accounts for 63% of responses. This was followed by 2 respondents (25%) who selected the 'agree' option and one respondent (13%) who selected 'strongly disagree.'

Q10. If you have any comments on the Validation Guide, please provide them in the box below.

4 respondents answered this question.

ID number	Comment	Officer response
200619437	Seems like a great tool for internal use.	Noted, the guidance document and checklists have also been designed to assist those unfamiliar with submitting planning applications.
201781469	Natural England has no comments on the Validation Guide	Noted
203617826	Please disregard earlier survey as some answer incorrect and use this one	Actioned.

Anything else?

Q11. If you have any additional comments you would like to make, please provide them in the comment box below.

11 respondents answered this question.

ID Number	Comment	Officer response
200619437	Please do not waste everyone's time with these pointless checklists.	We feel that the checklists will be of use both to those submitting applications to ensure that they

		have included all the required documents and to allow officers to identify which documents have been submitted with regard to which requirements. The result of this should be fewer delays to applications being validated and ensure officers have the correct detail from the outset of a submission meaning open and transparent decision-making for all involved in the process.
201138854	The response below was received via email.

Thank you for your message below, together with the link, regarding the above topic.

I can confirm that, at this present time, I have no comments to make. | Noted |
| 201162400 | The response below was received via email.

Thank you for inviting National Highways to comment on the above consultation.

National Highways 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 National Highways 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 in areas of South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse that have the potential to impact the safe and efficient operation of the SRN, in this case the A34, A404, M4 and M40.

We have reviewed updated Validation Documents listed in the checklist and also the Validation Guide. We are content that these | Noted. |

	documents include correct plans and documents that are required to be submitted with the various planning applications and we therefore have 'No Comments' on this consultation. I hope this is helpful. Please do continue to consult us on planning matters via our team's inbox: planningse@nationalhighways.co.uk	
203379681	Officers need to make sure that all documents requested are received before sending out to consultation. If this doesn't happen the application should not be sent out until all documentation are available.	By requiring the submission of the validation checklist with every application this should be achieved as well as making it clearer where the information for each requirement can be found.
203648802	The response below was received via email. Marine Management Organisation Functions The MMO is a non-departmental public body responsible for the management of England's marine area on behalf of the UK government. The MMO's delivery functions are: marine planning, marine licensing, wildlife licensing and enforcement, marine protected area management, marine emergencies, fisheries management and issuing grants. Marine Planning and Local Plan development Under delegation from the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (the marine planning authority), the MMO is responsible for preparing marine plans for English inshore and offshore waters. At its landward extent, a marine plan will apply up to the Mean High Water Springs (MHWS) mark, which includes the tidal extent of any rivers. As marine plan boundaries extend up to the level of MHWS, there will be an overlap with terrestrial plans, which generally extend to the Mean Low Water Springs (MLWS) mark. To work together in this overlap, the Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra) created the Coastal Concordat. This is a framework enabling decision-makers to co-ordinate processes for coastal development consents. It is designed to streamline the process where multiple consents are required from numerous decision-makers, thereby saving	Noted. We have checked the plan and do not fall within a marine plan area.

	time and resources. Defra encourage coastal authorities to sign up as it provides a road map to simplify the process of consenting a development, which may require both a terrestrial planning consent and a marine licence. Furthermore, marine plans inform and guide decision-makers on development in marine and coastal areas. Under Section 58(3) of Marine and Coastal Access Act (MCAA) 2009 all public authorities making decisions capable of affecting the UK marine area (but which are not for authorisation or enforcement) must have regard to the relevant marine plan and the UK Marine Policy Statement. This includes local authorities developing planning documents for areas with a coastal influence. We advise that all marine plan objectives and policies are taken into consideration by local planning authorities when plan-making. It is important to note that individual marine plan policies do not work in isolation, and decision-makers should consider a whole-plan approach. Local authorities may also wish to refer to our online guidance and the Planning Advisory Service: soundness self-assessment checklist. We have also produced a guidance note aimed at local authorities who wish to consider how local plans could have regard to marine plans. For any other information please contact your local marine planning officer. You can find their details on our gov.uk page. See this map on our website to locate the marine plan areas in England. For further information on how to apply the marine plans and the subsequent policies, please visit our Explore Marine Plans online digital service. The adoption of the North East, North West, South East, and South West Marine Plans in 2021 follows the adoption of the East Marine Plans in 2014 and the South Marine Plans in 2018. All marine plans for English waters are a material consideration for public authorities with decision-making functions and provide a framework for integrated plan-led management.	

Marine Licensing and consultation requests below MHWS

Activities taking place below MHWS (which includes the tidal influence/limit of any river or estuary) may require a marine licence in accordance with the MCAA. Such activities include the construction, alteration or improvement of any works, dredging, or a deposit or removal of a substance or object. Activities between MHWS and MLWS may also require a local authority planning permission. Such permissions would need to be in accordance with the relevant marine plan under section 58(1) of the MCAA. Local authorities may wish to refer to our marine licensing guide for local planning authorities for more detailed information. We have produced a guidance note (worked example) on the decision-making process under S58(1) of MCAA, which decision-makers may find useful. The licensing team can be contacted at: marine.consents@marinemanagement.org.uk.

Consultation requests for development above MHWS

If you are requesting a consultee response from the MMO on a planning application, which your authority considers will affect the UK marine area, please consider the following points:

• The UK Marine Policy Statement and relevant marine plan are material considerations for decision-making, but Local Plans may be a more relevant consideration in certain circumstances. This is because a marine plan is not a 'development plan' under the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004. Local planning authorities will wish to consider this when determining whether a planning application above MHWS should be referred to the MMO for a consultee response.

• It is for the relevant decision-maker to ensure s58 of MCAA has been considered as part of the decision-making process. If a public authority takes a decision under s58(1) of MCAA that is not in accordance with a marine plan, then the

	authority must state its reasons under s58(2) of the same Act. • If the MMO does not respond to specific consultation requests then please use the above guidance to assist in making a determination on any planning application. Minerals and Waste Local Plans and Local Aggregate Assessments If you are consulting on a minerals and waste local plan or local aggregate assessment, the MMO recommends reference to marine aggregates, and to the documents below, to be included: • The Marine Policy Statement (MPS), Section 3.5 which highlights the importance of marine aggregates and its supply to England's (and the UK's) construction industry. • The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF), which sets out policies for national (England) construction mineral supply. • The minerals planning practice guidance which includes specific references to the role of marine aggregates in the wider portfolio of supply. • The national and regional guidelines for aggregates provision in England 2005-2020 predict likely aggregate demand over this period, including marine supply. The minerals planning practice guidance requires local mineral planning authorities to prepare Local Aggregate Assessments. These assessments must consider the opportunities and constraints of all mineral supplies into their planning regions – including marine sources. This means that even land-locked counties may have to consider the role that marine-sourced supplies (delivered by rail or river) have – particularly where land-based resources are becoming increasingly constrained. If you wish to contact the MMO regarding our response, please email us at consultations@marinemanagement.org.uk or telephone us on 0208 0265 325.	
203650218	Admin note: the response below was received via email. Please also see attachment which includes a table.	This is an assessment that is capable of being made during the process of the application.

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	Checklist of Recommended Information Requirements

In addition to the national validation requirements set out within the Government's Planning Practice Guidance, Sport England recommends that planning applications affecting playing field land should provide sport specific information in line with the below checklist. This information will enable Sport England to provide a substantive response to applications on which it is consulted. It will also aid the LPA to assess an application in light of P.99 of the NPPF and relevant Local Plan policies.

The checklist presents the recommended requirements for all applications. It also indicates the information that Sport England recommends should be submitted where an applicant feels their development may meet with one of the exceptions to Sport England's Playing Fields Policy.

¹. Level of detail to be proportionate to the nature of the development and its impact on the playing field.

². Relevant for Exception 4 where the loss of an area of playing field with a natural grass surface is proposed to be replaced elsewhere by a new area of playing field with an artificial surface.

³. All details should be undertaken and developed by a suitably qualified and experienced sports turf consultant, satisfy appropriate Sport England and NGB design guidance, and have regard to Sport England's 'Equivalent Quality Assessment of Natural Turf Playing Fields' briefing note.

Note: As set out within the Government's Planning Practice Guidance any plans or drawings must be drawn to an identified scale, and in the case of plans, must show the direction of north. Although not a requirement of legislation, the inclusion of a linear scale bar is | Therefore we do not consider this to be a validation requirement.

These types of proposal are typically the subject of a pre-application where the officer will have identified to the applicant the need to submit this level of information with their submission. |

	also useful, particularly in the case of electronic submissions.	
203650549	The response below was received via email. Thank you for your email below regarding the South and Vale Validation Checklists Consultation. The Coal Authority is a non-departmental public body sponsored by the Department of Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy. As a statutory consultee, the Coal Authority has a duty to respond to planning applications and development plans in order to protect the public and the environment in mining areas. As you are aware, South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Councils lie outside the defined coalfield and therefore the Coal Authority has no specific comments to make on any stages of your Local Plan; SPDs etc. In the spirit of ensuring efficiency of resources and proportionality, it will not be necessary for the Council to provide the Coal Authority with any future drafts or updates to the emerging Plans. This email can be used as evidence for the legal and procedural consultation requirements at examination, if necessary.	Noted

203652081	Admin note: the response below was received via email. Please also open the attachments to view comments.	Suggested amendments have been made to the checklists to remove unnecessary documents/plans. Some additions have not been made as the checklists should be read in conjunction with the over arching guidance document and therefore the detail can be found there e.g. red and blue edge location plan, parking on block plan.
	I don't understand why you don't ask for a list of all documents being submitted with every application in order to make sure that what someone thinks they have submitted aligns with what you think you have received and thus also makes it completely clear to webviewers what got submitted.	We are requesting that the validation checklist is submitted with all applications to achieve exactly this.
	This list to sit in the 'application' folder of the webpage It would add clarity which is surely what everyone wants, and would make amendments easier to follow too	We will publish the validation checklist in the supporting documents folder of the application.
	Please do remember to edit the portal pages as to what they ask to be submitted as documents. Things do not align	We will be updating the Portal to try and align the requirements but have found that there are limitations in the functionality of the Portal to make this work exactly.
203652424	The response below was received via email. CPRE South Oxfordshire District Committee Response to the South and Vale Validation Checklist & Validation Guide Consultation CPRE Oxfordshire campaigns for the protection of Dark Skies & reduction of light pollution. The problem of light pollution is recognised within the NPPF (para 185), the South Oxfordshire Local Plan 2035 (policies ENV11 &	

	ENV12), by South Oxfordshire District Council & Oxfordshire County Council.	
	CPRE Oxfordshire South Oxfordshire District would like to see all applications include a lighting needs assessment and design, clearly demonstrating how light pollution would be minimised. The granting of planning permission should give consideration to how that would be achieved, including for example: i. Reducing large, glazed areas and roof lights and requiring tinting or window film to reduce transmittance. ii. Low-level lighting for external areas. iii. Imposing conditions covering such matters as: • Limiting the hours of illumination to when the light is needed. • Ensuring the height of external lighting and the light level is no more than is absolutely necessary for the task. • Requiring motion sensors, dimmer and/or timers on important outdoor lights. • Ensuring that all light to be directed downwards (horizontal cut-off). • Surrounding surfaces are of low reflective materials. • No permanent external lighting for purely decorative purposes. • Require 'warmer' lighting, lights with a more yellow tone than blue. • The retention of screening vegetation. Over the past 18 months we have seen planning officers impose conditions to limit the harm from light pollution, but the Guide fails to reflect this. The only mention of light pollution is in the Validation Guide is under Local List Requirements.	Having regard to the volume of applications we receive on an annual basis, a lighting assessment would be onerous and disproportionate. Furthermore, in the majority of cases the provision of external lighting does not constitute operational development and therefore no planning permission is required. Lighting impact, where it has been raised as a sensitive issue by the case officer can easily be captured during the determination of any planning application. It is not proportionate to require all applications to submit a lighting assessment
	7.31 Landscape Visual Appraisal (LVA)/ Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment (LVIA) 7.31.1 A LVA or LVIA should provide sufficient information to demonstrate the impact of a proposed development on the surrounding	It is a matter that can be left to and determined via a planning condition, it is not detail that is required from the outset. Officers are capable of making a judgement on the application without this detail.

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landscape and from visual receptors such as users of roads, public rights of way, public open space, residents in their homes or people at their place of work and users of recreation facilities.

7.31.3 - consideration should be given to seasonal variation and the impact of light pollution and the cumulative effects of any proposed development in conjunction with other possible neighbouring developments.

The guide must clarify that sources of light pollution include, external lighting and visible light transmittance.

The guide should also make it clear that light pollution also impacts on biodiversity – SOLP 2035 ENV3 - 3. Planning permission will only be granted if impacts on biodiversity can be avoided, mitigated or, as a last resort, compensated fully.

We believe light pollution must have either its own reporting requirements similar to those for an Air Quality Assessment and Acoustic report. OR at least be part of the 7.37 Sustainable Design Measures Statement which asks for evidence as to how the proposal seeks to limit greenhouse gas emissions but does NOT include lighting. Illumination either direct or through visual light transmittance where is it not required is a waste of energy.

We note the link to the South Sustainable Construction Checklist but are disappointed that wasting energy though visible light transmittance is not included.

We also note that many checklists mention the Sustainable Design Measures Statement, but the link to the South / Vale Sustainable Construction Checklist is not included in most of them and should be.

For your information Cambridge asks for an artificial lighting assessment for major applications - Full planning permission: application checklist and West Devon seeks a

	Lighting Impact Assessment for various external lighting schemes and for proposals where internal lighting may impact dark skies. West Devon Lighting Impact Assessment Further Comments 7. Document Description & Requirements 7.6 Location Plan & 7.7 Proposed Site Plan/Block Plan We'd like to see location maps include all Public Rights of Way that cross or run adjacent to the proposed site.	The national list requirements require the submission of a site location plan. There is no legislative requirement to include public rights of way on a plan. The impact of a development on a public right of way is captured through the application determination process.
	We'd like to see a checklist for all constraints to development e.g. AONB, Green Belt, Conservation Area, Listed Building Status and links to Design Guides for the AONBs be included. -End- i The NPPF (para 185) requires planning decisions to ensure that new development considers the likely effects of pollution on health, living conditions and the natural environment and seeks to limit the impact of light pollution from artificial light on local amenity, intrinsically dark landscapes and nature conservation. Oxfordshire County Council has drafted a Street Lighting & Illuminated Assets policy (expected to be adopted in October 2022) for less street lighting to reduce Climate Change and environmental impacts including those on dark skies and nature. The South Oxfordshire Local Plan recognises the potential harms of light pollution in policies ENV11, ENV12 which acknowledge the adverse	This is a planning assessment exercise, it is not necessary for the submission of a planning application to summarise this detail.

	impacts of light pollution on human health, the natural environment and/or local amenity. In March 2021, South Oxfordshire District Council passed a 'Dark Skies Motion' such that the Council will, among other measures, 'Ensure that limiting light pollution and preserving dark skies are key priorities for planning policies and design guides, including master-planning of sites'.	
203656587	The response below was received via email. The type and amount of information required to assist you in the assessment of proposals which affect heritage assets (in accordance with the NPPF, particularly paragraphs 197 and 199) will vary in each case. The information provided should be proportionate according to circumstances, and should facilitate understanding of the significance of the heritage asset, and of the potential impact of the proposal on that significance. We refer you to our Charter for Historic England Advisory Services (particularly sections 11 and 12) as a clear statement of the information needed in order to provide informed advice. The charter can be downloaded from our website via: https://historicengland.org.uk/services-skills/our-planning-services/charter/ In addition to these general comments, I append a few specific comments on the Validation Guide. I hope that this feedback is helpful. If you have any queries about this matter or would like to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact me. APPENDIX: Validation Guide – further comments 1. Paragraph 7.20.1: we suggest minor rewording to avoid the implication that an archaeological designation is not a type of heritage designation. One option is: "This may be combined into one Heritage Statement where designations due to heritage significance relate to heritage assets above and below ground	We have made this change.

	(including archaeological remains)."	
	2. Paragraph 7.20.2 states: "An Archaeological assessment is required: • if the site or part of the site is within, or close to a Scheduled Ancient Monument or if the site is within a priority or in an archaeological sensitive area. • the proposal is a Major development application"	
	We suggest "within, or in the setting of" rather than "within, or close to" to align more closely with the language of the NPPF. Also, more clarity would be welcome in this paragraph when referring to a "priority" area.	This change has been made.
	3. Paragraph 7.20.5 refers to an "archaeological survey". We suggest a "field evaluation" may be a clearer description that aligns with the language of the NPPF (paragraph 194). It is good to see encouragement here for the prospective applicant to approach the local archaeological adviser.	This change has been made.
	4. Paragraph 7.30.1 states unequivocally that the NPPF "requires you to assess the impact of a development on a heritage asset". This may benefit from more clarity, noting what is said in paragraph 194 of the NPPF. We acknowledge in Historic England Advice Note (HEAN) 12 that to understand the impact of the proposal on significance "…fulfils the requirement in paragraph 190 [now 195] of the NPPF and is undertaken by the LPA. However, the applicant needs to be aware of impacts so that the analysis of significance submitted to the LPA, under paragraph 189 [now 194], is sufficient in its level of detail."	Paragraph 7.30.1 has been amended to reflect NPPF wording and now reads "requires you to assess the impact of a development on any heritage assets affected by the proposed development."
	5. We note reference to HEAN 12 in paragraph 7.30.4. You may wish also to refer our Good Practice Advice on The Setting of Heritage Assets.	A link to this document has been added.

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All questions are optional. All information is confidential and will only be used to help us monitor whether views differ across the community.

Q12. Which of the following describes how you identify yourself?

	Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Male		30%	3
2	Female		40%	4
3	Neither of the above (specify below if you would like to)		0%	0
4	Prefer not to say		20%	2
5	I identify as:		10%	1

I identify as: (1)

I am responding on behalf of an organisation

4 respondents said they identify as a female; this is closely followed by male (3). 2 respondents preferred not to answer this question. The remaining respondent said they were responding on behalf of an organisation.

Q13. How old are you?

	Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	16-24		0%	0
2	25-34		20%	2
3	35-44		0%	0
4	45-54		0%	0
5	55-64		10%	1
6	65-74		10%	1
7	75+		0%	0
8	Prefer not to say		60%	6

The majority of respondents preferred not to provide their age bracket (6). Of the respondents that did, 2 were aged between 25-34, 1 aged between 55-64 and another 65-74.

Q14. What is your ethnic group?

	Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Prefer not to say		40%	4
White				
2	English, Welsh, Scottish, Northern Irish, British		40%	4
3	Irish		0%	0
4	Gypsy or Irish Traveller		0%	0
5	Any other white background		10%	1
Asian or Asian British				
6	Indian		0%	0
7	Pakistani		0%	0
8	Bangladeshi		0%	0
9	Chinese		0%	0
10	Any other Asian background		0%	0
Black or Black British				
11	Caribbean		0%	0
12	African		0%	0
13	Any other black background		0%	0
Mixed or Multiple Ethnic Groups				
14	White and Black Caribbean		0%	0
15	White and Black African		0%	0
16	White and Asian		0%	0
17	Any other mixed background		0%	0
Other Ethnic Group				
18	Arab		0%	0
19	Other (please specify):		10%	1

Other (please specify);

- *N/A is responding on behalf of organisation*

4 respondents said they are from a white ethnic group. The same number of respondents preferred not to say. The remaining 2 respondents were from any other white background and responding on behalf of an organisation.

Q15. Are your day to day activities limited because of a health problem or disability which has lasted or is expected to last 12 months or more?

	Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes		0%	0
2	No		60%	6

3	Prefer not to say		40%	4

If yes, please specify:

- *N/A*

Most respondents (6) said that their day-to-day activities are not limited because of a health problem or disability which has lasted or is expected to last 12 months or more. The remaining 4 respondents preferred not to answer this question.

Q16. How did you hear about this consultation?

	Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Twitter		0%	0
2	Facebook		0%	0
3	Instagram		0%	0
4	Poster		0%	0
5	Newsletter		0%	0
6	Email		45%	5
7	Letter		9%	1
8	Our website		9%	1
9	Another website		0%	0
10	Word of mouth		0%	0
11	Radio/TV		0%	0
12	Read it in the newspaper		0%	0
13	District Council		0%	0
14	Parish Council		9%	1
15	Other (please specify):		27%	3

Other (please specify):

- *Linkedin*
- *Colleague*
- *Request from South and Vale*

Most respondents (5) said they heard about the consultation via email. 3 respondents heard about the consultation via LinkedIn, a colleague or a request from South and Vale. The remaining 3 respondents heard about it via letter, the councils website or their parish council.

FURTHER INFORMATION

For information about the consultation or the results presented in this report, please contact:

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