

**To:** Future Oxfordshire Partnership Scrutiny Panel (formerly Oxfordshire Growth Board Scrutiny Panel)

**Title of Report:** Draft Scrutiny Panel response to Oxfordshire Plan 2050 Regulation 18 Part 2 Consultation

**Date:** 13 September 2021

**Report of:** Councillor Andrew Gant, Chair of the Future Oxfordshire Partnership Scrutiny Panel

**Status:** Open

**Executive Summary and Purpose:**

This report provides a draft response (Appendix 1) to the Oxfordshire Plan 2050 Regulation 18 Part 2 Consultation, produced by a working group of four members from the Scrutiny Panel. The Scrutiny Panel is asked to agree the response for submission, subject to any revisions.

**How this report contributes to the Oxfordshire Strategic Vision Outcomes:**

The Oxfordshire Plan 2050 plays a key part of the delivery of the Strategic Vision for Oxfordshire by setting key policies for Oxfordshire that support the outcomes set out in the Vision.

**Recommendation:**

That, subject to any revisions agreed at this meeting, the Scrutiny Panel agrees to submit the draft response attached at Appendix 1 to the Oxfordshire Plan 2050 Regulation 18 Part 2 consultation.

**Appendices:**

Appendix 1: Draft Scrutiny Panel response to Oxfordshire Plan 2050 Regulation 18 Part 2 consultation.

**Introduction and background**

1. On 12 July 2021, the Future Oxfordshire Partnership Scrutiny Panel (formerly the Oxfordshire Growth Board Scrutiny Panel) agreed to establish a working group to develop a draft response to the Oxfordshire Plan 2050 Regulation 18 Part 2 Consultation, which closes on 8 October 2021. Appendix 1 features the draft response prepared by the working group for consideration and approval to submit the response.
  2. The Oxfordshire Plan 2050 Regulation 18 Part 2 Consultation Document was approved for public consultation by each of Oxfordshire's five local planning
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authorities in July 2021. The document sets out both a range of planning policy options and a series of spatial strategy options for Oxfordshire. When complete, the Oxfordshire Plan will provide a high-level spatial planning framework for Oxfordshire up to 2050 and will be a statutory planning document supplementing Local Plans. A full introductory report to the Oxfordshire Plan consultation can be found online in the agenda pack for the Growth Board's meeting on 19 July 2021.<sup>1</sup>

### **Working Group Membership**

3. The Scrutiny Panel working group which prepared the draft response consisted of the following councillors:
  - Councillor Andrew Gant, Chair of the Panel (Oxfordshire County Council)
  - Councillor Sean Woodcock, Vice-Chair of the Panel (Cherwell District Council)
  - Councillor Adam Nell (Cherwell District Council)
  - Councillor Victoria Haval (South Oxfordshire District Council)

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<sup>1</sup> Available here: <https://www.oxfordshiregrowthboard.org/past-meetings/?past-year=2021>