



**South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse Joint  
Local Plan 2041**

**Independent Examination Hearing - Part 2  
Matter 2 Maintaining Effective Cooperation**

Tuesday 7 July 2026

**Agenda**

Please Note:

- The Hearing session will follow on from Matter 1 and will sit until 5.00pm. A lunch break will be 1pm-2pm and there will also be a short mid-afternoon break.
- Participants are encouraged to familiarise themselves with the Hearing Statements (and any additional evidence) produced by the Councils and other parties in respect of the matters addressed at this Hearing session. These are available on the Examination website.
- References to Matters, Issues and Questions (MIQs) are to the MIQs for the Examination [ID19]. The areas for discussion relate to points the Inspectors require further information on. As set out in ID20, statements/representations submitted at Part 1 of the hearings will be taken as read and taken into account in our overall assessment.

Where we refer to the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) it is the December 2023 version. Similarly, any reference to the Planning Practice Guidance (PPG), will be to the version relevant to the December 2023 NPPF.

## **Inspectors' Opening Announcements**

### **ISSUE – Whether effective cooperation has been maintained with reference to the National Planning Policy Framework?**

#### **Areas for Discussion:**

- 'Note on Maintaining Effective Cooperation' [LPA42] (Q2.1)
- Progress regarding cooperation on unmet housing need and Statement of Common Ground (SoCG) and Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) (Q2.2)
- Other SoCGs (Q2.3)
- Additional infrastructure (Q2.4)