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Dear Witney Town Council


I am writing to consult you on a proposed update to Oxfordshire County Council's Local List of Information Requirements for validation of planning and related applications.

It is a statutory requirement to update this list at least every two years. Annex 1 to this letter sets out what the proposed changes are.

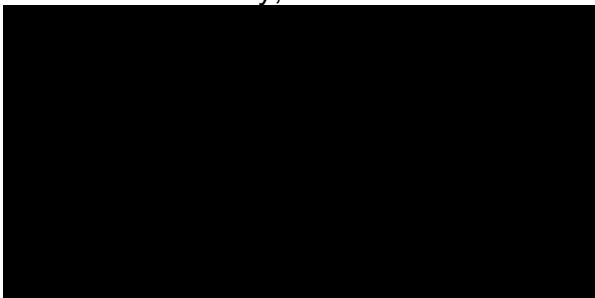
The draft updated Local List can be viewed on the County Council's planning applications website at the link below. The consultation period will run until **2 December 2024**.

<https://myeplanning2.oxfordshire.gov.uk/Planning/Display/LL.0119/24?cuuid=668B2AF5-6921-4BC2-8A2B-39F7DF2C4831>

The current Local List can also be viewed on the website for comparison.

Your comments on the draft updated Local List can be made via the online facility on the planning applications website, or by the email to 

Yours sincerely,



www.oxfordshire.gov.uk

Annex 1 – Proposed Changes to the Local List 2024

Aftercare and Restoration scheme

- Text now includes requirements on securing BNG

Biodiversity Assessment

- Text updated with references to new legislation and BNG requirements.

Heritage and Archaeological Statements

- Additional information on desk-based assessments

The following are proposed new additions to the Local List:

- Biodiversity Net Gain – Further Information
- Carbon Management Plan
- Climate Impact Assessment
- Health Impact Assessment

Validation Checklists

- Addition of Biodiversity Net Gain Plan, Carbon Management Plan, Climate Impact Assessment and Health Impact Assessment.

Appendices

- Updated graph to show optimal Ecological Survey Seasons (Appendix 1)
- Updated Information on DEFRA European Protected Species policies (Appendix 3)
- Updated information on Great Crested Newt Licence (Appendix 3)

Note:

*All references and links to the 2021 National Planning Policy Framework have been updated to refer to the 2023 National Planning Policy Framework.

*All references to Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) have been amended to National Landscapes

*Links to relevant planning policy drivers and related guidance have been updated.