

## Appendix 10

### Agenda Item 7 – Draft Local Plan 2040 (Regulation 18) Consultation

#### Comments from Overview and Scrutiny Committee

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee considered the draft plan at an extraordinary meeting on 11 January, and wish to make the following comments to Executive:

- The balance of affordable housing included in the plan is not ambitious enough or adequate.
- Clarity and assurance there is no change from the partial review of the Local Plan regarding Frieze Farm in Kidlington and its provision as an alternative Golf Course location.
- It is important that all infrastructure keeps pace with development as well as ensuring satisfactory integration between new developments and established communities.
- The importance of farming in the district has been recognised in the draft, but it should be given more prominence.
- Noting the reference to Bicester Strategic Corridors, consideration should be given to creating a formal Green Belt around Bicester.
- More should be done to maintain the Green Ring around Kidlington.
- Rural allocation of housing should be equitable.
- Executive to assure itself that the wording of policies included in the plan is strong enough, particularly those in relation to Climate Action and viability.
- That Members be given more opportunities to engage, provide feedback and comments during the Regulation 18 consultation.