## PART B – Please complete a separate Part B form for each part of the document you wish to comment on

Name (to ensure the	Lynda Moore
comments are correctly	CPRE Oxfordshire
recorded from each form)	

#### 1. To which document does this representation relate?

Proposed Submission Plan	<b>YES /</b> (please delete)
Policies Map within the Plan	NO (please delete)
Sustainability Appraisal Report	NO (please delete)
Other Document (please specify)	

#### 2. To which part of the document does this representation relate?

Paragraph	
(please specify)	
Policy	SP1 Settlement Hierarchy
(please specify)	
Table	
(please specify)	
Appendix	
(please specify)	
Other reference in	Settlement Hierarchy Topic Paper December 2024
<b>document</b> (please specify)	

#### 3. Do you consider the Proposed Submission Plan to be:

Legally & Procedurally Compliant?	YES (please delete)
Compliant with the Duty to Cooperate?	YES (please delete)
The 'tests' of Soundness:	
Positively Prepared	NO (please delete)
Justified	NO (please delete)
Effective	<b>NO</b> (please delete)



Consistent with National Policy

**YES** (please delete)

4. Please provide the reasons if you have selected 'NO' to any part of Question 3 and consider the Plan to be uncompliant and/or unsound. Please make reference to the part of the document you have identified. Alternatively, please explain why you consider the Plan to be compliant and/or sound.

CPRE Oxfordshire seeks a review of the Settlement Hierarchy analysis to correct errors and, where appropriate, reclassify settlements accordingly.

**CPRE Oxfordshire fully support and endorse the Part B form on this topic submitted by Stephen Bowen, Assistant Clerk Planning, The Bourtons Parish Council** Bourtons has been scored for 2 pubs which it no longer has and a bus service which it also does not have. Bourtons has also been aligned with Banbury instead of Cropredy. It has always been aligned with Cropredy on every planning application and every officer's decision. It is inconceivable that residents can walk to Banbury via the A423 where there is no footway until you get to Little Bourton, and cycling would also not be an option for the vast majority, with perhaps just some highly experienced cyclists attempting this.

Wardington has scored a point for having a dentist which it doesn't have.

CPRE challenges the classification criteria that has been introduced into reg 19 for category B villages.

One of the overriding aims of the Local Plan is to reduce travel by private car.

Therefore, for the purposes of the Local Plan geographical closeness should be defined as being within acceptable cycling and walking distance to a local town with a good range of facilities and services and with acceptable access to public transport.

CPRE Oxfordshire cannot see any justification for amending the existing criteria as defined by the existing Local Plan which is.

- Population size
- The number and range of services
- Issues within the village which would justify an increase in housing.
- Accessibility of the village to an urban area by private car and public transport
- Accessibility of the village in terms of walking and cycling
- Local employment opportunities



(Continue on separate sheet if necessary)

# 5. Please set out what change(s) you consider necessary to make the Local Plan legally compliant or sound. Please provide any suggested wording or re-wording you consider necessary.

As a minimum, errors on the existing Settlement Hierarchy analysis should be rectified and, where appropriate, settlements reclassified accordingly.

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We seek a review of the Settlement classifications in line with these criteria.

(Continue on separate sheet if necessary)

6. If you are seeking a change to the Plan, do you wish to express an interest to participate in the Examination?



I wish to participate at	YES (please delete)
the oral examination	

### 7. If you wish to participate at the oral part of the Examination, please outline why you consider this to be necessary:

CPRE Oxfordshire are able to assist with local knowledge to support our request for a review of the Settlement Hierarchy.

(Continue on separate sheet if necessary)

**Please note:** the Inspector will determine the most appropriate procedure to adopt to hear those who have indicated that they wish to participate at the oral part of the Examination.

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM BY 11;59pm ON FRIDAY 14 FEBRUARY 2025 BY EMAIL TO:

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