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South Oxfordshire District Council Local Plan 2033 Examination

Memorandum of Understanding

Parties:

- South Oxfordshire District Council (the council)
- Oxfordshire Local Economic Partnership (OxLEP)

Date: 1 September 2017

- 1.1 This Memorandum of Understanding has been prepared by South Oxfordshire District Council (the council) and the Oxfordshire Local Economic Partnership (OxLEP) to assist the Inspector during the examination of the submitted South Oxfordshire Local Plan 2033 (referred to hereafter as the Local Plan 2033). This statement focuses on the matters which are relevant to the two parties.
- 1.2 This statement is provided without prejudice to other matters of detail that parties may wish to raise during the examination.
- 1.3 The duty to cooperate was created in the Localism Act 2011, and amends the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004. It places a legal duty on local planning authorities, county councils in England and public bodies to engage constructively, actively and on an ongoing basis to maximise the effectiveness of Local Plan preparation in the context of strategic cross boundary matters. Other public bodies, including Natural England in addition to local planning authorities, are subject to the duty to cooperate by being prescribed in the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.
- 1.4 OxLEP and the council have a history of working effectively together. In addition to the submitted South Oxfordshire Local Plan 2033 South Oxfordshire District Council has prepared (amongst others) the following documents as part of the evidence base of the Local Plan:

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1.5 The council has consulted OxLEP on the submission plan and NE has no objections to the Local Plan 2033.

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