This map booklet contains the information available at the Planning Events of November and December 2010

**Part 1:** Copies of the main exhibition boards available at the events

**Part 2:** Maps of the sites that we want you to comment on

**Part 3:** Housing issues we want your comments on before we develop future planning policies for residential developments

We would like your comments on Part 2 and Part 3. The best way to get involved is to come to planning events where you may leave comments and speak to planners. Alternatively you can send us comments by email, letter or through our consultation portal. There is no detailed comment form as this is an informal stage. We would like any comments you have.

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Part 1: Exhibition boards shown at the Planning Events

What is the Sites and Housing Development Plan Document?

It is a planning document that will:

- allocate sites for a variety of uses such as housing, shops, student accommodation and offices
- include new policies for housing type, housing design and affordable housing against which future planning applications will be judged

What is the process?

Gathering information 2009/10

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Produce Options Document for consultation Apr 2011

Produce Proposed Submission for consultation Nov 2011

Submit document to the Government Feb 2012

Examination in Public Jun 2012

Adoption Dec 2012

Planning Oxford: What does the Core Strategy say?

The Core Strategy sets a framework within which we need to work. Any new housing policies or site allocation policies will need to be in line with Core Strategy policies.
Issues and Challenges

There is a housing crisis in Oxford due to a fast growing population and shortage of housing so the Core Strategy aims to deliver at least 8,000 dwellings which would including affordable and market housing.

We know that the number of students living in rented houses is a concern to local people due to the possible impact on achieving a balanced community, so the Core Strategy seeks to provide more purpose built student accommodation to encourage fewer students to live in family housing.

We also want to support social and economic regeneration, particularly in deprived neighbourhoods, and ensure that there is economic vitality that endures through the good and bad economic times.

We know that open spaces are important to local people and that we should explore opportunities to open up access to new public open space.

Oxford has many land constraints to development especially due to its tight boundary, Green Belt and flood plain so it is vital that we carefully look at the land which has potential now to prevent inappropriate development in the future.
How do your comments feed into the process?

- Local residents
- Planner
- Landowner / Developer
- Oxfordshire County Council officer
- Sustainability Officer
- Natural England officer
- Environment Agency
- Local Councillor
- English Heritage officer

Questions:
- How do I balance all these views?
- What would be best for my constituents?
- Will the scheme make money?
- Will the right infrastructure be in place?
- Will it make flooding worse?
- Will it be sustainable?
- Will it protect important species?
- Will it respect our heritage?
- Will the scheme make money?
Part 2: Maps of the sites that we want you to consider

Sites were first identified through the Local Plan, the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment, suggestions by landowners (including Oxford City Council) and local knowledge.

Many were then rejected for having potential for allocation at early stages for a variety of reasons such as being too small or having designations such as flood plain and Green Belt (with no compatible uses suggested). This leaves about 100 sites for us to consider further which are shown on the following maps.

No decisions have been made at this stage and we are keen to hear your comments on whether you think a site is suitable for development and what, if any, type of development you might like to see there. You may also have some thoughts on how any development could be designed.

The City Council is not necessarily in support of a site that has been identified, merely that the City Council is considering it further.

Further sites may be suggested following the Planning Events and some sites may be rejected as a result of comments received or updated information from landowners so the list of sites taken forward to the Options stage in Spring 2011 is likely to have amendments. This is to be expected as we are an early stage of the process.

Map 1: Central, South and West Oxford
Map 2: North Oxford
Map 3: North East Oxford
Map 4: East and South East Oxford

The types of things we would be interested to hear about are:

- Which sites do you think are suitable for development and for what uses? Uses you may want to think about are housing, employment, shops, student accommodation, hotels, open space, sport, hospital use, community use etc.

- Which sites do you think are not suitable for development, and why?

- Do you have ideas for how any of the sites could be best developed, such as where the best access would be from or which features might need to be protected?

- Are there any other sites that we haven’t identified that you think are suitable