

**From:** Jonathan Day  
**Sent:** 29 September 2015 18:24  
**To:** Minerals and Waste Plan Consultation - E&E  
**Subject:** Representations concerning the Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan

Dear Sirs,

I refer to the recently published Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan. As a concerned local resident I wish to make the following representations in good faith:

1. I have seen the Gardner Representation produced by Gardner Planning on behalf of OXAGE and fully support the points made. I am perturbed that OCC failed to consult parish councils and the public generally when it suddenly increased the LAA (the number of tons of gravel required in the plan) even though it found the resources and time to consult mineral producers towards the end of 2014. The public were deprived of an opportunity to question the flawed methods used and the inflated outcome reached by yet another set of consultants hired at great expense by OCC.

2. Furthermore, I see that government guidelines (the NPPF) advise using a historical 10-year average of minerals sales when calculating the LAA. Most neighbouring counties use this or very similar methodology. The original LAA proposed by campaign groups from across the county (the Hives report, which used the 10-year average as its basis) was accepted by OCC in the summer of 2014. This would have meant that there would be no need for new gravel extraction sites in the county for many years. I find it objectionable that OCC then abandoned the 10-year average methodology when it hired its own new set of consultants who produced a much higher LAA that is completely out of step with the 10-year average.

I should be grateful if you could acknowledge receipt of this email.

Yours faithfully,

Jonathan Day