

Local elections this May

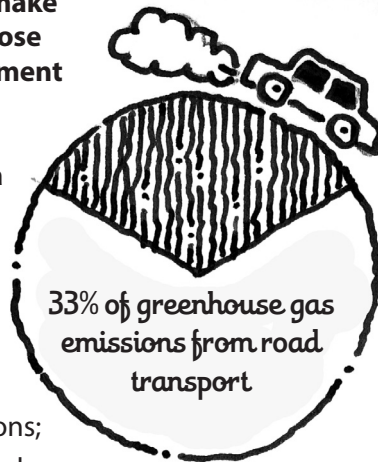
Where does your candidate stand on these issues?

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During these local elections, help us make sure that successful candidates are those that put local people and the environment at the heart of their decision-making.

Need Not Greed Oxfordshire (NNGO) is a coalition of 36 groups from across the county, representing thousands of community members. Our campaign is committed to:

- A restoration of planning principles, with a proper balancing of economic, environmental and social considerations;
- Local democracy, with planning control in the hands of locally elected and accountable representatives; and
- Environmental and rural sustainability, ensuring that our landscape, natural world and rural communities are at the heart of decision-making.



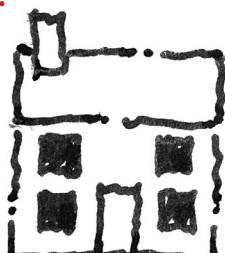
Housing

- The number of houses in Oxfordshire is increasing by 40% (an additional 100,000 houses, 2011-2031).
- The Government's Oxford-Cambridge Arc proposals could add a further 60% by 2050. This would double the number of houses in the county.
- But, in the last 5 years, less than 2% of the housing built in Oxfordshire has been made available for social rent – so we are losing valuable land without solving the real need.

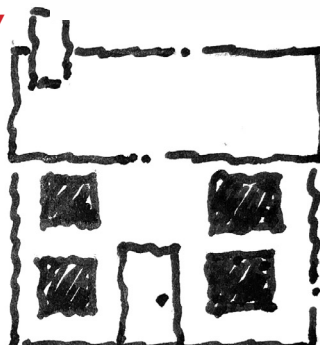
Does your candidate agree with NNGO that increasing housing supply in Oxfordshire will not resolve the housing affordability crisis? If so, what alternatives will they be exploring?



houses at
2011



+40%
2011 - 31



+60%?
2031 - 50

Transport

- Total vehicle miles driven in Oxfordshire increased by 29% between 1993 and 2019.
- The number of commuter journeys to Oxford could increase by up to 25% by 2031.
- One third of greenhouse gas emissions in Oxfordshire are from road transport.

(Local Transport & Connectivity Plan 5 Vision)

What will your candidate do to support the delivery of sustainable, cost-effective public transport and local cycling and walking strategies?

Climate and the environment

All six of our local authorities have officially agreed there is a climate emergency. Two of our local authorities have also recognised that there is a biodiversity emergency.

Does your candidate agree that the protection and enhancement of our environment should take precedence over short-term housing and economic targets?

Local democracy

- Oxfordshire Housing & Growth Deal 2017 – no public say
- Oxfordshire Industrial Strategy 2019 – no public say
- OxCam Arc Economic Prospectus 2020 – no public say
- OxCam Arc Spatial Framework 2021 – consultation promised, but on the content not the principle

Does your candidate agree that elected local representatives should lead on planning decisions for Oxfordshire? If so, how might that be achieved?

Our local authorities are currently working on an Oxfordshire Plan 2050.

How will your candidate ensure this Plan 2050 puts the views of local people and the environment at its heart?

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