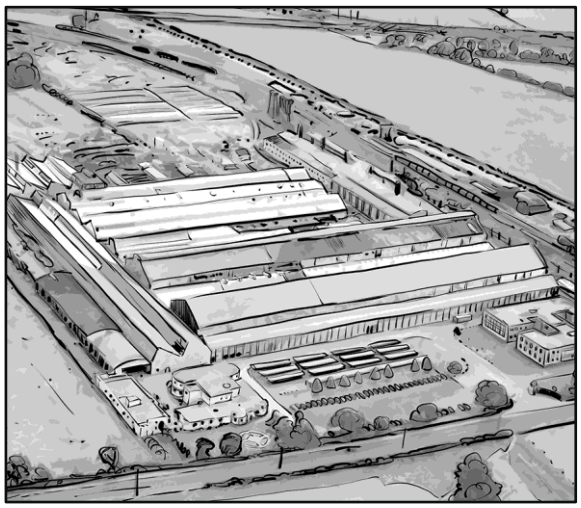
# Oxfordshire



Upwards of 4,000 bombs fell in total in Oxfordshire, with 20 deaths, including the infamous October 1940 Dornier raid on the railway and gasworks in Banbury where 6 men were killed, and much damage caused. We were reminded of the target, which was Banbury's aluminium processing factory where up to 60% of the war effort's requirement for Spitfire and Lancaster airframes were fulfilled. To confuse the enemy, a complete dummy replica of these works was made some way out of town.

Explain why you think the railway and gasworks were targeted in Banbury, Oxfordshire.

Explain why Banbury's Aluminium factory was targeted by German bombers.