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To: Local Plan

Subject: EA reply to Consultation - Site Allocations and Development Management Policies

Plan

Attachments: SADM1 - H2.pdf; SADM1 - H7.pdf; SADM14.pdf; SADM15.pdf; SADM16.pdf;

SADM17.pdf; SADM18.pdf; SADM21.pdf; 109795.pdf

Dear Mark.

Please find attached our cover note (109795) and representations in respect of the pre-submission version of the Development Management Policies and Site Allocations DPD.

To summarise and for your ease of reference we have made the following representations:

- Policy SADM1, H2 Gas Holders Site found unsound
- Policy SADM1, H7 Land at Lincolnsfield found unsound
- Policy SADM14 fully support
- Policy SADM15 fully support
- Policy SADM16 fully support
- Policy SADM17 minor amendment requested
- Policy SADM18 found not compliant with the duty to co-operate
- Policy SADM21 minor amendment requested

Please contact me if you have any queries. Kind regards

Tricia Devonshire Sustainable Places Planning Advisor

Environment Agency Hertfordshire and North London - Hatfield Team

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Please note I work part time so am available Wednesdays to Fridays only.

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We are generally happy with this policy and its employers watercourses and their corridors. It is also positive water Framework Directive assessment where appropriately a	that the policy includes the need for a
	(continue on a separate sheet/expand box if necessary)

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Overall we think the policy could be improved if it specifically included the need to deculvert watercourses and made reference to the Thames River Basin Management Plan, however
we acknowledge these are referred to in the supporting text.
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Signature: Date:
Part C (Only needed once)



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Part C – What information you want the Council to provide you with about future progress of SADM (only needed once).

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Part A	1. Personal details*	2. Agent details (if applicable)
Title	Mrs	
First name	Tricia	
Last name	Devonshire	
Job title (where relevant)	Sustainable Places Planning Advisor	
Organisation (where relevant)	Environment Agency	
Address	Apollo Court, 2 Bishops Square Business Park, St Albans Road West, Hatfield, Herts	
Post Code	AL10 9EX	
Telephone number	01707 632408	
Email address	sphatfield@environment-agency.gov.uk	

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Part B		For office use only
Name or o	Environment Agency organisation:	Ref No:
		support:
IMPORTA	NT: Please use a separate Part B form for each representation	object:
		change:
3. To whic	h part of SADM ('the Plan') does this representation relate?	
Paragraph	Policy SADM18 Policies Map	Other part of Plan (specify)
4. In relati	on to the part of the Plan you identified in 3, do you consider t	he Plan to be:
		Please tick which boxes apply
4(a) Legally	y Compliant Yes X No no commo	ent to make
` ' '	liant with the Yes No χ no common to Co-operate	ent to make
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regarding water cap	ort the policy wording because you have taken on board or g infrastructure capacity. However due to issues across the pacity, please see the comments in our cover note regarding ence base, Water Cycle Studies and duty to co-operate whi	e catchment with waste
	(continue on a sepa	rate sheet/expand box if necessary)



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Other p	part
Paragraph Policy SADM21 Policies Map of Plan (specify	<i>(</i>)
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We recognise that Policy SADM14 refers to both the risks of pollution to groundwater and our 'Groundwater protection: Principles and practice' publication. However we think Policy SADM21 would be much improved if it also specifically mentioned the risks of pollution to the water environment, not just human health. This is especially important as there are a number of Source Protection Zones within the Borough of Hertsmere which supply drinking water and they must be protected from pollution.
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