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Sent: 14 September 2015 07:10

To: Local Plan
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Subject: Hertfordshire County Council (Development Services) email 3 of 3

Attachments: Response form 7 - SADM25 Key Green Belt Sites.pdf; Response form 8 - Paragraph

5.22.pdf; Response form 9 - SADM33 Key Community Facilities (v).pdf; Response

form 10 - SADM43 Town and District Centres (TC2).pdf

Please find attached representations made on the Hertsmere SADM plan on behalf of Hertfordshire County Council (Development Services). In total there are 10 response forms and a main response document (a total of 11 files). Due to the files sizes involved I have broken the response into a series of emails as follows:

Email 1

- Main Response Document
- Response form 1: SADM1 Housing Allocations (H6)
- Response form 2: SADM1 Housing Allocations (H9)

Email 2

- Response form 3: SADM33 Key Community Facilities (C1)
- Response form 4: Paragraph 4.76(b)
- Response form 5: SADM24 Village Envelopes (Elstree)
- Response form 6: SADM24 Village Envelopes (South Mimms)

Email 3 (this email)

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I would be grateful if you would acknowledge safe receipt of all 11 documents

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Paragraph 5.22 states that the Council recognises the need identified by the education Authority for two more forms of entry at primary school level in Borehamwood. The paragraph goes onto to state that the case for a new site is unclear given the potential capacity of existing one form entry schools in the area to expand and the possible establishment of new Free Schools. It should be noted that the Core Strategy sets out the strategic objectives and spatial strategy for the area and it is within this document that the need for a new primary site has been established. The recently adopted Elstree Way Corridor Area Action Plan (AAP) also recognises the need for a new 2fe primary school within Borehamwood.

There is an established requirement within the Core Strategy for a new primary school site. To ensure conformity with the Core Strategy the County Council considers that clarification is required within paragraph 5.22 that the recognised need for "two more forms of entry at primary school level in Borehamwood" is in the form a new primary school site.

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Policy SADM25 Key Green Belt Sites identifies a series of Green Belt sites which contain a significant amount of buildings, the use of which are recognised as being important and should be maintained and supported. The County Council welcomes to recognition of the education facilities identified as being Key Green Belt sites, these being:

- The Bushey Academy, London Road, Bushey;
- Bushey Meads School, Coldharbour Lane, Bushey;
- Dame Alice Owen's School, Sawyers Lane, Potters Bar;
- Hertswood Lower School, Cowley Hill, Borehamwood; and,
- Queen's School, Aldenham Road, Bushey;

While the identification of the above sites as Key Green Belt Sites is welcomed the County Council considers that the Effectiveness of the policy is hindered by the current site infill boundaries. The site infill boundaries as drawn would not support the expansion potential of the schools as they do not offer any flexibility to meaningfully develop the sites. The infill boundaries appear arbitrary, for instance it is unclear why the area at the front of Bushey Mead School is not within the infill area, and development of this area would affect the openness of the Green Belt. There also appears to be an inconsistency in the approach to the drawing of the infill boundary. The infill boundary at Hertswood School includes an area of undeveloped land between the built form and the football pitch used as informal recreation while at Bushey Academy the boundary is tightly drawn around the central building. As presented the County Council consider that the Policy SADM25 Key Green Belt Sites is unsound on the grounds that it will not effectively allow development. HCC seek the redrawing of the infill boundaries of the above mentioned school and suggests that the area of hardstanding be considered as being with the site infill.

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The Council's intention behind the introduction of this requirement is unclear. It is considered that the requirement is in conflict with Core Strategy Policy CS19 Community Facilities and in particular supporting text paragraph 6.5 which states that the "Council is committed to promoting, providing or facilitating the provision of key community facilities and a clear presumption in favour of supporting such uses is considered to be of paramount importance". A requirement to demonstrate that the provision of additional capacity cannot be met through the expansion of existing schools is neither Effective nor Consistent with national policy. Academies and Free Schools are run by a governing body and are independent from the local council. A requirement to demonstrate provision cannot be met through the expansion of existing schools is not effective as the Local Education Authority cannot require schools independent from it to accommodate the growth.

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- 7. Please set out as precisely as possibly what change(s) you consider necessary to make the Plan
- legally compliant or
- sound (having regard to the criteria you ticked at 5 above relating to soundness).
 You will need to say why this change will make the Plan legally compliant or sound. It will be helpful if you are able to put forward your suggested revised wording of any policy or text.

Policy SADM43 Town and District Centres states that the council will support proposals to improve the facilities, functions and environments of town and district centres as identified on the Policies Map. Policy SADM43 provides specific for requirements for the Radlett Service Station/Regency house, Former Fire Station and Burrell & Co (TC2) sub area of Radlett Watling Street District Centre. The Council's intentions behind the requirement for former community uses on the site to be provided on the site are unclear. There are not considered to be any community facilities in this location.

Should it be the Council's intention to identify the former Radlett Fire Station as a former community use the County Council directs HBC to the recent Appeal Decision (APP/N1920/A/12/2186478) in respect of the former Radlett Fire Station where Hertsmere Borough Council required the re-provision of "community facilities" where actually there was no use by the community. By allowing the appeal the inspector was very clear in her option that the fire station was not a community facility.

The County Council requests the deletion of the following words from Policy SADM43 (TC2): "Community uses required on part of the site to replace former community use".

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Please note your representation should cover succinctly all the information, evidence and supporting information necessary to support/justify the representation and the suggested change, as there will not normally be a subsequent opportunity for further submissions based on the representation you are currently making. After this current publication stage, further submissions will only be able to be made at the Inspector's request, based on the matters and issues he/she identifies for Examination.

3. If you do not consider the Plan to be sound and the Council is prepared to make changes to the Plan which reflect your suggested change, would you be prepared to enter into a 'Statement of Common Ground' with this Council?						
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10. If you wish to participate at the oral part of the Examination, please outline why you consider this to be necessary:



To hear discussions on the matter, to represent HCC's property and service evidence and to participate in any debate.
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Please note: the Inspector will determine the most appropriate procedure to hear those who have indicated that they wish to participate at the oral part of the Examination.
Signature: Date: 10th September 2015 Part C (Only needed once)
Name (Print): Matthew Wilson
Completed as part of Response form 1
If you wish to be informed of the date of the submission of the Plan to the Secretary of State, please tick this box.
If you wish to be informed of the recommendations of the Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State to carry out the independent Examination of the Plan, please tick this box.
If you wish to be informed of the adoption of the Plan by Hertsmere Borough Council please tick this box.
If you no longer wish to receive communications from the Council on SADM please tick this bo

