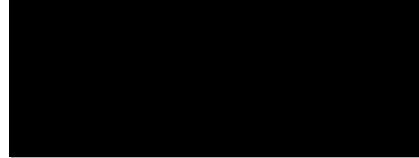




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Dear Mr Tustian

### **Eastleigh Borough Local Plan 2016 - 2026**

Thank you for consulting Winchester City Council on the policies contained in the Regulation 19 submission of the Draft Eastleigh Borough Council Local Plan 2016 - 2036.

The City Council is grateful for the information received thus far and the time spent by your officers in discussions to inform and explain the proposals. For the reasons which are set out in more detail in the attached Portfolio Holder Decision Notice and formally approved by the Portfolio Holder, the City Council:

**Welcomes the publication of the Eastleigh Local Plan, but makes a formal objection to the Plan on the basis that it fails the Test of Soundness for the following reasons:**

- 1. The current evidence base does not demonstrate that it is an Effective strategy because the proposed Strategic Growth Option may not be viable or deliverable as proposed.**
- 2. The proposed link road on which the Strategic Growth Area is predicated has not yet been shown to be technically feasible or fit for purpose.**
- 3. The Duty to Cooperate in relation to the preparation and sharing of the evidence base has not yet been fulfilled.**

We recognize our obligation to engage constructively with Eastleigh Borough Council to address these matters and remain ready and willing to play a full and active part in doing so as the Plan process continues.

Yours sincerely

