

**Eastleigh Borough Local Plan:  
Proposed Main Modifications consultation**



**Consultation 9 June – 21 July 2021**

**Consultation form**

The Council is inviting responses on the Main Modifications to the Eastleigh Borough Local Plan. These will be considered by the Local Plan Inspector as part of the examination in the Local Plan.

The Main Modifications documents and further information on the Local Plan is available at [www.eastleigh.gov.uk/localplan2016-2036](http://www.eastleigh.gov.uk/localplan2016-2036)

**Part A – Contact details**

*Your address/ other contact details will be treated as confidential. However, please note that your name and your comments will be open to view by the general public.*

**Who is making this representation?**

Name:

**Bloor Homes Southern**  
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Organisation (if you are commenting on behalf of an organisation):  
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E-mail **ryan.johnson@turley.co.uk**  
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Telephone (optional): .....

Part B - Representation

Name/Organisation Name:

Bloor Homes Southern

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What are you responding to?

Document:		Reference:
Main Modification Schedule	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MM27
Proposed Policy Map changes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PM3 (Map 7)
Sustainability Appraisal Addendum	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Habitats Regulations Assessment	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Do you support or object (tick box)?       Support       Object

Is the Main Modification legally compliant (tick box)?       Yes       No

Is the Main Modification sound (tick box)?       Yes       No

If you do not consider the Local Plan to be sound, please specify on what grounds (tick all that apply):

Positively prepared     Justified     Effective     Consistent with National Policy

## **Response to the Main Modification**

*Please explain your comments, including any changes you think are necessary and revised wording (continue overleaf/attach further sheets if necessary)*

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the 'Schedule of Main Modifications' (EBC, May 2021). On behalf of our client, Bloor Homes Southern, we would respectfully request a further proposed modification is made to that tabled under MM27.


At the Inspector's request (Examination Document ED71) the Council commissioned further work to ensure the 'Settlement Gaps' proposed in the Local Plan were logical, robustly evidenced and in accordance with the criteria set out in the 'Push Spatial Position Statement' (PUSH, 2016). As a consequence of this further work, the Council acknowledge the need to make various revisions to the proposed gaps, and propose to make those changes under MM27.

Our client commissioned landscape consultants EDP to review the Council's settlement gap evidence in more detail. A copy of EDP's findings are appended as Document 7263-r001-D (EDP, July 2021). EDP conclude that, contrary to the approach advocated by the Inspector at Paragraph 29 of ED71, the 'Hedge End, West End and Southampton' gap still includes (i) more land than is necessary to prevent the coalescence of settlements and (ii) land not needed to perform an important role in defining settlement character and separating settlements at risk of coalescence.

EDP set out the grounds for further modification of this gap in attached Document 7263-r001-D (EDP, July 2021). Accordingly, our client respectfully requests a further proposed modification is made to MM27 to remove land parcels C1-3 from the 'Hedge End, West End and Southampton' settlement gap designation.

We trust our client's representations are duly made, and we look forward to receiving an acknowledgement in due course.

**Response continued**



**Please return this form by 21 July 2021**

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**Or return it to:** Local Plan Team, Eastleigh Borough Council, Eastleigh House,  
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