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Dear Planning,

Thank you for consulting Network Rail on the Main Modifications for the Local Plan.

Network Rail published the Solent Connectivity CMSP in 2020; this document sets out aspirations for improvements to local rail services as a means of encouraging modal shift from the private car. This study identified several service options, including ones that would improve connectivity to/ from Eastleigh from other parts of the Solent area. Network Rail are looking to progress the recommendations of the CMSP and have submitted a Decision to Initiate to DfT as part of the Railway Network Enhancement Pipeline (RNEP) to produce a Strategic Outline Business Case (SOBC). A funding decision is awaited from Treasury.

Development within Eastleigh Borough is likely to necessitate the need for improvements to rail services, facilities/ accessibility at stations and first/last mile access to the railway. We would encourage Eastleigh Borough Council to continue to engage with the railway industry to understand how we can work together to provide a sustainable end to end journey for passengers. This should align to the Statement of Common Ground agreed by Eastleigh Borough Council and Network Rail: <https://www.eastleigh.gov.uk/media/6148/ed46-socg-between-ebc-and-network-rail-general-issues-october-2019.pdf>

As part of Network Rail's license to operate and manage Britain's railway infrastructure, Network Rail have the legal duty to protect rail passengers, the public, the railway workforce, and to reduce risk at our level crossings so far as is reasonably practicable. We believe that any future developments take into consideration the impact on use of these crossings and any resulting increase in risk. This clearly will require early consultation between the planning authority, developers and NR to identify ways that any increase in risk can be mitigated.

We would like to be kept on the list for any future consultations. Thank you for giving us the opportunity to comment on the Main Modifications.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards



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Consultation on proposed Main Modifications

The Eastleigh Borough Local Plan is undergoing an independent examination following its submission to Government in October 2018. The purpose of the examination is to assess whether the Local Plan has been prepared in

accordance with the relevant legal requirement and if the plan is sound, based on criteria set out in the national planning policy.

Examination hearing sessions were held between November 2019 and January 2020 with a further additional hearing held in January 2021 under the direction of the Planning Inspector Christa Masters MA (Hons) MRTPI. In April 2020, the Inspector sent the Council post-hearing letter setting out issues to be addressed and a way forward.

The independent Planning Inspector appointed on behalf of the Secretary of State, has requested that the Council now undertake consultation on a number of [Main Modifications \(ED108\)](#) required to make the Plan sound in the light of issues identified during the examination. This is without prejudice to the Inspector's ultimate conclusions and recommendations on the Plan. The Main Modifications set out a series of changes required to resolve issues that make the Local Plan unsound or where it is not legally compliant.

In addition, we have also published a number of revisions to the [Policies Map \(ED109\)](#) that have been required as a result of a Main Modification. Further [Sustainability Appraisal \(ED106\)](#) and [Habitats Regulations Assessment \(ED107\)](#) of the Main Modifications has also been undertaken. These are published alongside the Main Modifications and comments are also invited on these as part of this consultation stage.

The Main Modifications consultation period will run from **9 June – 21 July 2021**. At the close of the consultation, the Council will assess all comments received and set out its response to each one. All comments received, and the Council's responses, will then be forwarded to the Inspector, who will take them into account before she completes her report.

To view the schedule of Main Modifications and supporting documents and for more details about our Local Plan visit www.eastleigh.gov.uk/localplan2016-2036. The schedule of Main Modifications and key documents are available to view at local libraries, Parish and Town Council offices in the borough and Eastleigh House. Please note that there are currently restrictions on opening hours and the availability of printed documents due to coronavirus. The [Statement of Representations Procedures](#) includes the latest information on where and when documents are available to view. Further details on where to view consultation documents are set out online at www.eastleigh.gov.uk/localplan2016-2036.

Representations can be submitted via the electronic form on the Consultation hub <https://eastleighboroughcouncil.citizenspace.com>. Alternatively you can submit your representations either by email to Local.Plan@eastleigh.gov.uk or post to Local Plan team, Eastleigh Borough Council, Eastleigh House, Upper Market Street, Eastleigh, SO50 9YN.

In addition to the Main Modifications, the Council is publishing a schedule of proposed [Additional Modifications \(ED110\)](#) to the Local Plan. These are changes

that taken together the Council considers do not materially affect the Plan and which it can therefore make when the Plan is adopted. These are minor changes not required to make the plan sound and include updates, changes for consistency and clarity and corrections.

The Schedule of Additional Modifications is not part of the formal Local Plan examination. The Council will consider any comments received on these modifications.

For more information on the Main Modifications consultation please visit www.eastleigh.gov.uk/mainmodifications



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