

EASTLEIGH BOROUGH COUNCIL

Land at GE Aviation, Kings Avenue, Hamble-Le-Rice, Southampton, SO31 4NF

Appeal by GE Aviation

Planning Inspectorate Reference: APP/W1715/W/20/3255559

Eastleigh Borough Council Reference O/18/84191

**POSITION STATEMENT – REASONS FOR REFUSAL 4, 5 AND 6**

**NOVEMBER 2020**

1. Following the successful conclusion of negotiations in relation to the above appeal, the Council sets out its position in relation to the fourth, fifth and sixth reasons for refusal.
2. The fourth reason for refusal states that insufficient information had been submitted to demonstrate that the loss of the on-site cricket wicket and outfield (which also provides football pitches and training area) could be adequately mitigated within the Parish of Hamble-le-Rice.
3. As set out in the agreed Sports Provision Note, subject to securing the agreed provisions within the S106 legal agreement and no objection from Sport England, the loss of the on-site facilities can be adequately mitigated through a package of off-site improvements delivered by the appellant/developer; and financial contributions towards cricket and football enhancements within the local area.
4. The Council therefore withdraws this reason for refusal.
5. The fifth reason for refusal states that the application has failed to provide the necessary mitigation in relation to nitrogen loading resulting from the development, to offset the impacts on the Solent Complex (afforded international protection due to its importance for wildlife).
6. As set out in the agreed Nitrates Note, subject to securing the agreed provisions within the S106 legal agreement, the impacts of the development resulting from increased nitrogen loading can be adequately mitigated.
7. The Council therefore withdraws this reason for refusal.
8. The sixth reason for refusal states that application has failed to secure the necessary developer contributions towards projects to mitigate the impact of the proposed development. Discussions regarding the range of financial contributions and/or physical works that Eastleigh Borough Council and Hampshire County Council consider are required are concluding. On the basis that agreement will be reached on the final matters within the

S106 legal agreement, the Council is satisfied that the impact of the development can be adequately mitigated.

9. Subject to execution of an agreed S106 legal agreement, the Council will withdraw this reason for refusal.

**SIGNATURE**

Signed on behalf of Eastleigh Borough Council: Kitty Budden

Position: Principal Planning Officer

Date: 09 November 2020