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To: Katharine Makant
Cc: Jill Fisher
Subject: FW: Duty to Co-operate - Proposed main modifications to the submission local plan
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Hi Katharine

Please find below an email from Wokingham Borough Council withdrawing their objection. I would be grateful if you could draw this to the attention of the Inspector.

Regards

Matt

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Dear Jill and Matt,

Thank you for providing the extra information and for explaining the additional information to us at the Duty to Co-operate meeting held on 12th August 2015. We no longer object to the Proposed Main modifications of the Submission Local Plan. The additional information that has been supplied to us addresses our concerns around the definition of the HMA. This is because the additional information explains with more clarity household migration movements within and around Basingstoke and Deane Borough and it has been demonstrated that the migration self-containment level for Basingstoke and Deane is above the NPPG recommended 70% threshold. The additional information also demonstrates that the commuting self-containment level is now at a higher level of 68.9% to 70.2% which is above the recommended ONS threshold.

Our other concern was regarding the proposed housing target figure of 850 dwellings per annum and querying whether this target should be higher to support the 700 jobs per annum economic projection, particularly in light of the M3 LEP's SEP which identifies Basingstoke as a Growth Town. Thank you for providing us with a copy of the letter you received from the M3 LEP stating that they are supportive of the 850 per annum housing target figure and that they consider this level of housing growth appropriate to assist the continued economic growth of Basingstoke. This extra information addresses our original concern regarding the proposed housing target of 850 dwellings per annum (DPA). As demonstrated within the Basingstoke and Deane Main Modifications to the Submission Local Plan and the accompanying Housing Topics paper, you have demonstrated that you will be able to accommodate the proposed 850 DPA housing target within the defined housing market area up until the end of the plan period of 2029.

Kind regards,
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