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Dear Ms Masters

Examination of the Eastleigh Local Plan: Formal request to recommend any main modifications necessary

As you are aware, at the meeting on 18 October 2018 at which the Eastleigh Borough Local Plan ('the Local Plan') was approved for submission for independent examination, Full Council also authorised the Chief Executive to take or authorise various steps including proposing, requesting and discussing main modifications to the wording of the Local Plan.

Pursuant to this, the Council has proposed a number of main modifications to the Local Plan (set out in ED32), and has also agreed some additional proposed main modifications with third parties through Statements of Common Ground.

We are aware that these proposed main modifications will be discussed further within the context of the overall examination of the Local Plan.

However, we thought it helpful to confirm in advance of the hearings that, were you to consider the Local Plan to be sound and legally compliant subject to main modifications, the Council would wish for these main modifications (either those already proposed by the Council or such other main modifications as you consider to be required) to be included within your final report.

Therefore I am writing to formally on behalf of the Council (having been authorised to do so by the Chief Executive) to request, under section 20(7C) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, that in your final report you recommend any main modifications you consider to be necessary in-order for the Plan to be found 'sound' and legally compliant.

We look forward to the start of the hearings shortly in order that all matters of 'soundness' and legal compliance can be discussed further.

Yours sincerely

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