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For and on behalf of
Hampton Brook

**Plan:MK Examination in Public
Response to Inspectors Questions – Matter 2**

Spatial Strategy



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0.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- a. DLP Planning Limited have been instructed by Hampton Brook to respond to the inspector's questions in respect of Matter 3 and specifically in relation to their land interest in the following location;
South Caldecotte (Land Allocated within policy SD16)
- b. Hampton Brook is a well-established local land promoter and developer; as such they have been fully engaged in both the Joint Core Strategy and Regulation 18 and 19 consultations. This response will refer to these earlier representations.

Matter 2 – Spatial Strategy

Issue 5 – The Open Countryside (Policy DS5) & Linear Parks (Policy DS6)

1.0 QUESTION 2.20

IS POLICY DS5 JUSTIFIED AND CONSISTENT WITH NATIONAL POLICY? PLEASE EXPLAIN.

- 1.1 Policy DS5 is not effective. We have set out the reasons for this in our regulation 19 response, which we expand upon here.
- 1.2 As currently worded, policy DS5 does not make any reference to highway infrastructure. Such works are likely to be needed in open areas both in relation to South Caldecotte and other sites within the development plan.
- 1.3 In the case of South Caldecotte, some highway infrastructure works are likely to be needed outside of the site boundary, and therefore, policies SD16 (Dealt with in comments on Matter 4) and DS5 need to be amended to reflect this, and to ensure consistency.
- 1.4 Amended wording to policy DS5 is suggested within appendix A.
- 1.5 The policy should be revised accordingly to ensure soundness.

2.0 QUESTION 2.21

ARE THE LINEAR PARKS CORRECTLY SHOWN ON THE POLICIES MAP?

- 2.1 In order to ensure that policy DS6 is effective as denoted by paragraph 182 of the NPPF, the policies map should be amended to remove the reference to a linear park on the South Caldecotte Site.
- 2.2 Policy DS6 defines the linear parks within Plan MK and does not refer to a linear park at South Caldecotte.

- 2.3 The Policies map should be amended to delete the entry to a linear park extension on the South Caldecotte site.



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APPENDIX A

SUGGESTED AMENDMENT TO WORDING OF POLICY DS5

The Council defines Open Countryside as all land outside the development boundaries defined on the Policies Map. Planning permission within the open countryside will only be granted for development which is essential for agriculture, forestry, countryside recreation, highway infrastructure or other development, which is wholly appropriate to a rural area and cannot be located within a settlement.

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