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Date: 4<sup>th</sup> November 2025

Dear Jon Palmer,

## Re: Regulation 19 Consultation – Plan:MK2050

We write on behalf of Wolverton and Greenleys Town Council, under delegated authority as the Chair of Planning and Deputy Clerk, to submit our formal response to the Regulation 19 consultation on Plan:MK2050.

We understand that MKCC must consider the implications of the Government's New Towns Task Force report and how this may affect land supply and strategic planning. However, we are concerned that Plan:MK2050 is being progressed at a pace that risks undermining its fitness for purpose. The potential impact of a new government-designated "new town" in North Milton Keynes is significant and, in our view, not yet fully understood or reflected in the current draft.

The current consultation period overlaps with the Christmas holiday, making it extremely difficult for councils to convene and approve comprehensive responses. We respectfully request that MKCC exercise flexibility in accepting representations submitted within four weeks of the consultation closing, particularly as the statutory deadline for plan submission is not until December 2026. There appears to be no compelling reason to adhere to a March 2026 submission deadline, especially given the recent two-month slippage in the Reg 19 timetable.

We seek clarification as to why MKCC is maintaining a March 2026 submission deadline when the government's requirement is December 2026. The current approach is perceived as unnecessarily rushed, potentially at the expense of proper consideration of representations and modifications that could improve the soundness of the plan.

We are concerned that the plan does not adequately address the issue of housing land supply, particularly in light of the new town proposals. The impact of the new town may further reduce the available land supply, calling into question the validity and deliverability of the plan. If these issues are not resolved, there is a real risk that Plan:MK2050 will be out of date before it is even published and may not meet the requirements for soundness set by the Planning Inspectorate.

The combination of timetable slippage, the overlap with the Christmas period, and the lack of clarity on land supply leads us to the view that the plan is being rushed through without proper consideration of the

implications or the opportunity for meaningful engagement with stakeholders.

We urge MKCC to reconsider the current timetable, provide greater flexibility for representations, and ensure that the plan is robust, deliverable, and capable of passing independent examination.

We look forward to your response and remain available to discuss these matters further.

Yours faithfully,

Cllr Adrian Moss, Chair of Planning, Wolverton and Greenleys Town Council



Mandy Shipp, Deputy Clerk, Wolverton and Greenleys Town Council

