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Submitted by email only**Chelmsford City Local Plan Regulation 19 Consultation – Resolution of Basildon Council Objections**

Dear Sir or Madam,

As you are aware, Basildon Borough Council were consulted in January 2018 on Chelmsford City Council's Pre-Submission Draft New Local Plan 2018 in accordance with Regulation 19 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Plan) England Regulations 2012, (as amended).

Planning Officers reviewed Chelmsford City Council's New Local Plan 2018 and identified some areas of concern in relation to proposed highway improvements which could negatively affect the Basildon Borough if allowed to continue. These concerns were reported to Basildon Council's Infrastructure, Growth and Development Committee on 21 February 2018 (Minute 2018:91) and the Committee agreed the Council's response sent on 7 March 2018, which maintained an objection on highway grounds (Objection Ref:PO586).

Following this time, subsequent work has been carried out between Basildon Borough and Chelmsford City Council in order to provide a resolution to the objection raised by Basildon Borough Council, which includes amendments to the Chelmsford City Council pre-submission Local Plan, including an amendment to paragraph 7.339 and a new paragraph inserted after 7.339 (Appendix 8, Ref:AC192 approved at Chelmsford City Council Development Policy Committee 7 June 2018), and additional wording inserted to the end of paragraph 6.60 (Appendix 8, Ref:AC50, Chelmsford Draft Local Plan Schedule of Additional Changes May 2018). These proposed solutions were reported to Basildon Council's Strategic Planning & Infrastructure Committee on 28 June 2018 and the Committee agreed to approve the proposed changes as providing a satisfactory resolution to the Council's previous objections. The Committee has also delegated to me the approval of any subsequent Statements of Common Ground should they be sought by the City Council or Planning Inspector, as part of the Examination in Public.

Therefore, Basildon Borough Council is writing to you to formally withdraw previous objections to the Chelmsford City Local Plan on highway grounds as a consequence of the changes proposed in the schedule of modifications. Basildon Borough Council would also be willing to assist Chelmsford City Council in addressing any issues the

inspector may have in relation to this matter as part of the formal examination process of the Chelmsford City Local Plan.

Yours sincerely

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