CHELMSFORD LOCAL PLAN REVIEW 2022-2041 EXAMINATION

HEARING STATEMENT - Matter 11
Monitoring and Review

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Original Regulation 19 responses	PSQ25-3958 and PSQ25-88 (Site 16A); PSQ25-3960 and PSQ25-89 (Site 16B)
Matter	Matter 11 - Monitoring and Review
Participation	Written representations only - not attending the hearing sessions

1. Scope and relationship to original representations

This statement supplements, and should be read together with, my duly made Regulation 19 representations concerning Sites 16A and 16B. Those representations raised environmental impacts, biodiversity and ecological considerations, infrastructure, development impacts and the adequacy and effectiveness of safeguards within the Local Plan. This statement does not withdraw or replace those representations and is confined to the Inspectors' questions that engage those existing concerns.

MIQs 11.1-11.5 - monitoring of infrastructure, sustainable development and outcomes

My original concern was not only the wording of safeguards but whether they would be effective in practice. Monitoring is therefore material to the effectiveness of the Plan.

The monitoring framework should track infrastructure delivery against development and occupation, environmental and biodiversity outcomes, mitigation delivery, and relevant sustainable-development objectives. It should identify what happens when infrastructure, mitigation or environmental outcomes fall behind the assumptions on which development is proceeding.

Monitoring should be outcome-focused and capable of triggering corrective action rather than merely recording that a policy requirement exists.

Modifications / outcome sought

- Include clear indicators linking development/occupation to infrastructure delivery.
- Monitor delivery and effectiveness of environmental and biodiversity mitigation and green infrastructure.
- Provide an explicit review/corrective mechanism where infrastructure or mitigation is delayed or required outcomes are not achieved.

Conclusion

The purpose of these changes is to ensure that the Plan is effective in practice: environmental and development impacts must be assessed at the appropriate stage, necessary safeguards and mitigation

must be secured, and development must remain aligned with infrastructure and environmental capacity actually available.