

Inspectors Birkenshaw and Coyne (By Email only, via Programme Officer)

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Dear Inspectors Birkenshaw and Coyne,

DOVER DISTRICT COUNCIL LOCAL PLAN - Document submission 29.06.2023

As set out in the Council's Submission Letter please find attached the update to the Infrastructure Delivery Plan (TIEB01a) and Appendices, including the Infrastructure Delivery Schedule (TIEB01b). The 2023 update replaces those documents submitted with the Plan, and includes changes to address the following:

- Comments made during public consultation in 2022, including where local projects were identified for inclusion. New Appendix 4 to the IDP details comments made and how DDC have responded to them.
- Updated information from Statutory Consultees and Infrastructure Providers in relation to Local Plan mitigation requirements and projects, namely Kent County Council, National Highways and NHS Kent and Medway, and updating the information to reflect latest Statements of Common Ground.
- Updates to stakeholder evidence base such as KCC Developer Contributions Guide which contains revised costs and delivery methods for all their Infrastructure provision, national publications, and service delivery strategies/management plans.
- To include latest information on project identification and/or delivery and where DDC have already secured funds using latest Infrastructure Funding Statement 21/22.
- More detail added to Local Plan site allocation infrastructure requirements adding specific project and/or on-site requirements for strategic allocations of Whitfield and Aylesham and other major sites
- Updated information relating to Proportionate Contributions Tariff calculations for Whitfield and Duke of York Roundabout mitigation – see new Appendix 3.
- A full summary of the changes is set out in new Appendix 5 of the IDP.

In addition, and further to the Council's response to the Initial Questions, please find attached two Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) addressing the following:

 SoCG between Dover District Council and Natural England – this sets out the agreed position between the two parties and addresses the comments received from Natural England in both their representations dated 9 December 2022 and the further written submission of 13th January 2023. It also provides an update on the matter in relation to Ammonia. Following the Council's response provided to Q11 of the Initial Questions, Natural England has advised that an assessment of the impacts of Ammonia from road traffic on designated sites should be carried out and addressed through the Habitats Regulations Assessments. As set out in the SoCG, DDC has agreed to carry out this work, which will commence shortly and be completed for submission in early September. I will keep you updated if this position changes.

2. **SoCG between Dover District Council and Dover Harbour Board** – As referred to in the Council's response to Q5 of the Initial Questions. Please note this SoCG includes a minor addition to AM102 as drafted in Schedule of Additional Modifications (SD06).

Yours Sincerely

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