

## Winchester Local Plan Examination, April – June 2025

Hearing Statement on behalf of Defence Infrastructure Organisation

Sir John Moore Barracks, Winchester

April 2025

## **Matter 4 - Meeting Housing Need**

## 1. Policy H4 - Development Within Settlements

- 1.1 The DIO's concerns in respect of Policy H4 are set out in the Reg 19 response to the emerging Local Plan. We note that the Inspector does not appear to have raised any questions around the draft policy and it is not scheduled to be discussed during any hearing sessions.
- 1.2 The DIO maintains its concerns over the potential for conflict between emerging Policies W2 and H4. The DIO maintains that the SJMB allocation should be included within a settlement boundary and added to the list of settlements in Policy H4. This is because achieving the requirements of Policy H4 would be challenging whilst delivering a large-scale residential masterplan for the site, as required by Policy W2.
- 1.3 Our requested changes are as follows to Policy H4, 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph, and settlement group labelled A (p.223):

"Development that accords with the Development Plan will be permitted in the following groups of settlements or in Site Allocation areas:

- "A. Within the defined boundaries of the following settlements, as shown on the Policies Map: Bishop's Waltham, Colden Common, Compton Down, Denmead, Hursley, Kings Worthy, Knowle, Littleton, Micheldever, Micheldever Station, New Alresford, Old Alresford, Otterbourne, Sir John Moore Barracks, South Wonston, Southdown, Southwick, Sparsholt, Sutton Scotney, Swanmore, Waltham Chase, Whiteley, Wickham, Winchester Town."

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