

Examination of the Winchester District Local Plan 2020-2040 (the submitted Plan/the Plan)

Winchester College – Hearing Statement

Matter 13 – Sustainable Transport and Active Travel

Regulation 19 consultation reference number: BHLF-AQTS-328K-1

As set out in Document ED17:

- Policy T3 Enabling sustainable travel modes of transport and the design and layout of parking in new developments

Question 2: Would it adequately reflect the need to promote active travel modes as suggested in the policy title?

It is not clear how active travel modes would be promoted through the requirement to demonstrate the need for parking provision or how the judgement would be reached on what would be an acceptable level of parking.

Question 5: Would the policy wording provide the necessary clarity, be clear and unambiguous as to how a decision maker should react to development proposals? In particular in its introduction ‘...to prioritise sustainable and active modes of travel... to demonstrate through the design process..’ and policy T3i, in requiring ‘... priority is given to active and e mobility travel...’?

It is not appropriate or reasonable to require priority to be given for active and e-mobility travel and car clubs for all new developments. As drafted, a small extension to an existing building could trigger a requirement for a car club which would be entirely disproportionate to the effect of that development and would not be viable. The draft policy should be amended to require these measures on new developments that generate significant traffic movements.

Winchester College consider that draft Policy T3i should be amended to read:

‘Priority is given for active and e-mobility travel and car clubs where viable and appropriate’.