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Dear Sir/Madam,

With Reference to: Winchester Local Plan 2020-2040 Examination: Matter 17:

Infrastructure

This Statement has been prepared by NHS Hampshire and Isle of Wight Integrated Care Board (ICB) in response to Matter 17 of the Inspector's Matters, Issues and Questions for the Winchester District Local Plan 2040 Examination.

Matter 17 Infrastructure

Infrastructure

Issue: What is the robust evidence to demonstrate that the Council has considered the delivery of infrastructure to meet the needs of planned growth and its timely delivery and would the Plan be effective in this regard?

1. The Plan is supported by a Draft Infrastructure Delivery Plan. [IN01] Given this is a live document, does the Council anticipate publishing a final version?

The ICB, as part of the Local Plan consultations, has provided the Council with the projects that are required to provide the additional primary care infrastructure capacity to meet the proposed housing allocations. These projects have been included within the draft Infrastructure Delivery Plan (IDP) and the ICB will review the final version when it has been published.

The ICB will provide future updates to the IDP over the course of the Local Plan period.

2. The IDP sets out the way in which infrastructure to meet the needs of planned development will be met. Is the methodology used robust and the findings reasonable and logical?

NHS England have issued its 2025/26 capital guidance¹ which confirms that capital allocations do not cover additional facilities required due to housing developments. It also states that NHS organisations should be collaborating with its Local Planning Authorities at all stages to understand and address the healthcare impact of new developments to secure developer contributions for the extra capacity required.

The ICB has assessed the impacts and mitigation required from the allocated sites using the CIL compliant developer contribution methodology² as published on its website. This methodology has been robustly tested as CIL compliant at numerous planning committee and inspector led appeals.

3. How have the findings informed the viability of the Plan?

To assist the authority in assessing the viability of the emerging Local Plan the ICB has provided an estimated per dwelling cost of the mitigation required for primary care infrastructure.

4. The Plan does not include a specific policy/policies on infrastructure provision to meet development needs, rather each site allocation includes a generic policy, with specific criteria as appropriate. Would this approach be effective?

The ICB has noted that the impacts to primary care infrastructure have been included as part of the site allocations with a direction to Policy SP2. Paragraph 'x' on page 24 could be further enhanced by specifically including the reference to the IDP as part of the policy.

However, the current policies may be insufficient for ensuring that windfall sites also need to consider any additional on or off-site infrastructure requirements to make their application acceptable in planning terms.

Thanking you for your consideration on this matter.



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¹ https://www.england.nhs.uk/long-read/capital-guidance-2025-26/