

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

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### **Inspector Note 12**

1. At the end of the first week of hearings, the Inspector requested a note from the Council setting out the implications of changing the Plan period.
2. The Council provided that note to the Inspector towards the end of the hearing session on Thursday 24 April 2025. That has been published as ED25. That sets out the implications of a Plan start date of 2020, 2022 and 2023.
3. The Inspector is still considering this matter. To aid her deliberations, she now requests that the Council sets out the implications of a Plan period starting at the latest calculation of local housing need i.e. 2024. It should set out the implications for the Plan, with particular regard to its housing trajectory and provision of a 5 year housing land supply on adoption.
4. In addition, Plan Policy H2 sets out a phasing restriction on green field sites. The Inspector requests that the Council sets out the implications for the Plan of deleting this policy. That should include the same matters as above, (based on the Plan period scenarios presented in its notes) in addition to the other matters the Council relies on to justify this policy.
5. This note should be provided by **Wednesday 28 May 2025**. The Inspector is not inviting any other written submissions on this matter at this stage.

Yours sincerely

**R Barrett**

Inspector appointed to examine the Winchester District Local Plan 2020-2040  
16 May 2025