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Dear Sir/Madam,

Hybrid planning application comprising full planning application for the erection of 130 dwellings with the creation of new access onto College Road, landscape, drainage, car parking and associated works; and outline planning application for up to 650 dwellings, community and nursery facility (use class D1 and D2), retail unit (use class A1), public open space, landscaping, diversion of public right of way and associated works and infrastructure at Land east of College Road, Campdown, Purbrook, Waterlooville.

Thank you for consulting Hampshire County Council (HCC) as the mineral planning authority (MPA) with regards to the above planning application.

A significant portion of the proposed development site lies within the mineral and waste consultation area (MWCA) – Minerals section. This area is informed by the mineral safeguarding area (MSA) as defined through **Policy 15: Safeguarding – mineral resources** of the adopted Hampshire Minerals and Waste Plan (2013) (HMWP) and indicates where viable, safeguarded mineral resources are likely to be present. The mineral in this instance is Palaeogene clay of the Reading Formation.

The purpose of this policy is to protect potentially economically viable mineral resource deposits from needless and unnecessary sterilisation. The policy seeks to encourage the recovery, where possible, of potential viable mineral resources prior to development, this concept is known as prior-extraction.

Prior-extraction offers potential opportunities to reuse recovered minerals within the development itself or upcycle them to nearby mineral operation site. This in turn has strong potential to reduce the amount of waste generated

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through excavation on site as well as potentially reducing the need for imported construction material.

Hampshire County Council as the MPA take this opportunity to request that the applicant liaise with an operator who utilises brick-clay to ascertain any demand for the mineral resources potentially underlying the site. Currently Hampshire has one operational brickworks - Michelmersh Brickworks, near Romsey.

Upon receipt of a response from an appropriate brickworks operator, if there is interest in the brick-making clay, further exploratory work may be requested to be undertaken on site and submitted to the MPA in the form of a minerals safeguarding report or assessment. The report will enable the MPA to interpret the data and provide a position in relation to **Policy 15** and make a recommendation for the extent of prior extraction and for suitable conditions to be incorporated if appropriate.

In the absence of further information relating to operator interest in the mineral potential of the area, the proposal is considered to be contrary to **Policy 15** of the adopted HMWP.

Hampshire County Council is available to discuss this further with Havant Borough Council, as well as the applicant, in forming a suitable agreement following the receipt of the required information.

Further information on safeguarding and Hampshire County Council's approach to it is available in the adopted Minerals and Waste Safeguarding in Hampshire Supplementary Planning Document, which can be found on our website:

<http://www3.hants.gov.uk/mineralsandwaste/planning-policy-home/hmwp-spds.htm>

Yours faithfully,

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