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Your ref: APP/13/00893
Our ref: NPCU/CONS/1735/73264

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Dear Sir

Town and Country Planning (Consultation) (England) Direction 2009

Outline application for mixed use employment, leisure and retail development to compromise demolition of Main Building and erection of Class C1 hotel, Class D2 cinema, 3 No. Class A3 restaurants, Class A4 public house, Class A3/A5 drive-thru restaurant, Class A1 foodstore and retention of E block for use as Class B1 offices or conversion to Sui Generis bowling complex, Class D2 health and fitness centre, and Class A3 restaurant at BAE System, Elettra Avenue, Waterlooville, PO7 7XS.

Application ref: APP/13/00893

I refer to your letter of 8 January 2014 referring to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government ("The Secretary of State") an application for planning permission for the above development.

The Secretary of State has carefully considered this case against call-in policy, as set out in the Written Ministerial Statement by Nick Boles on 26 October 2012. The policy makes it clear that the power to call in a case will only be used very selectively. The Government is committed to give more power to councils and communities to make their own decisions on planning issues, and believes planning decisions should be made at the local level wherever possible.

The Secretary of State has carefully considered the impact of the proposal, and the key policy issues which this case raises. In his opinion, the proposals do not: involve a conflict with national policies on important matters; have significant long

term impact on economic growth and meeting housing needs across a wider area than a single local authority; have significant effects beyond their immediate locality; give rise to substantial cross boundary or national controversy; raise significant architectural and urban design issues; or involve the interests of national security or of foreign Governments. Nor does he consider that there is any other sufficient reason to call the application in for his own determination. He has therefore decided the application should be determined at local level, and has not called it in.

In considering whether to exercise the discretion to call in this application, the Secretary of State has not considered the matter of whether this application is EIA Development for the purposes of the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2011. The local planning authority responsible for determining this application remains the relevant authority responsible for considering whether these Regulations apply to this proposed development and, if so, for ensuring that the requirements of the Regulations are complied with.

Yours sincerely



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