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Ms S Hopkins
Chief Executive
Havant Borough Council
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Dear Madam

The Authority has recently received a planning application from Barratt Homes regarding the development of another greenfield site on Hayling Island.

At the most recent enquiry into a similar development held in 2012, the Inspector made the following comments:-

"I concur that growth on Hayling Island should be limited/restricted, to take account of flood risk, the need to minimise impacts on the natural environment of Chichester and Langstone harbours and access difficulties on the local road network at peak hours."

The Borough Council finally agreed to prepare an Infrastructure Plan for Hayling Island in 2016 and the members were advised that this work was nearing completion in December 2016.

I have recently written to the senior officer charged with producing the infrastructure plan and the Chairman of the Advisory Committee, who has been overseeing the work for the last two years, and neither could tell me when this work is likely to be completed.

I trust that the Authority will not deal with this application without the benefit of the final report of the Advisory Committee. Contrary to the developer's assertion, this amount of housing will use up a significant amount of the remaining road space and neither the Highway Authority nor the Borough Council have any proposals to deal with the inevitable gridlock the A3023.

Yours faithfully

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J E Palmer MICE