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Dear Gayle,

Fareham Local Plan Consultation, June 2019

Following our useful 'duty to cooperate' conversation the other week, we have now had the opportunity to review your publication, 'Fareham Today' which focusses on your emerging Local Plan. Firstly, thank you for clarifying the email address the consultation had been forwarded to and correcting this for future correspondence which should be planningpolicy@winchester.gov.uk.

Whilst the consultation is aimed mainly at local residents and landowners I thought it might be useful to provide officer comments on behalf of the City Council.

The acknowledgement that the housing requirement set out in the PUSH Spatial Position Statement has now been superseded by higher figures resulting from the Government's 'standard methodology' is welcomed, along with the reference to working through PUSH to identify additional 'unmet needs' from neighbouring authorities. Like Winchester, Fareham is a predominantly 'greenfield' authority which is likely to be able to exceed its minimum requirement. As such, we consider it is appropriate for Fareham to consider additional potential allocations to meet housing needs particularly from your neighbouring authorities of Gosport and Portsmouth and given that Fareham is Gosport's only 'neighbouring authority' in terms of meeting this need.

We look forward to continuing discussions through the preparation of your local plan.

Yours sincerely,



