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Sent: 09 March 2015 15:32
To: Planning Policy

**Cc:** Wardlaw, James; Chevis, Mark

**Subject:** RE: Notice of Proposed Modifications to the Fareham Borough Local Plan Part 3:

The Welborne Plan

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for your e-mail dated 26th January 2015, seeking input to the proposed "Modifications to the Fareham Borough Local Plan Part 3: The Welborne Plan" covering the period 2015 - 2036.

SGN, have reviewed the above proposed changes and can confirm, currently that we have no update on the attached document.

Strategy Planning have included an SGN generic consultation letter for mutual GIS Shapefile exchange.

Could you please have a read over this letter or forward it to whom it may concern to action as appropriate.

While information obtained through these consultation or engagement on Local Development Plans is important to our analysis, it only acts to identify potential development areas. Our principle statutory obligations relevant to the development of our gas network, arise from the Gas Act 1986 (as amended), an extract of which is given below:-

## Section 9 (1) and (2) which provides that:

## 9. General powers and duties

- (1) It shall be the duty of a gas transporter as respects each authorised area of his:-
  - (a) to develop and maintain an efficient and economical pipe-line system for the conveyance of gas; and
- (b) subject to paragraph (a) above, to comply, so far as it is economical to do so, with any reasonable request for him -
  - (i.) to connect to that system, and convey gas by means of that system to, any premises; or
  - (ii.) to connect to that system a pipe-line system operated by an authorised transporter.
- (1A) It shall also be the duty of a gas transporter to facilitate competition in the supply of gas.
- (2) It shall also be the duty of a gas transporter to avoid any undue preference or undue discrimination -
- (a) in the connection of premises or a pipe-line system operated by an authorised transporter to any pipe-line system operated by him; and in the terms of which

he undertakes the conveyance of gas by means of such a system.

SGN would not, therefore, develop firm extension or reinforcement proposals until we are in receipt of confirmed developer requests.

As SGN is the owner and operator of significant gas infrastructure within the Fareham Borough Council area and due to the nature of our licence holder obligations;

Should alterations to existing assets be required to allow development to proceed, such alterations will require to be funded by a developer.

Should major alterations or diversions to such infrastructure be required to allow development to proceed, this could have a significant time constraint on development and, as such, any diversion requirements should be established early in the detailed planning process.

SGN would, therefore, request, that where the Council are in discussions with developers, via the Local Plan, there early notification requirements are highlighted.

Additionally, SGN are aware of the advances being made in renewable technologies, especially those related to the production of biomethane. Should any developer be proposing to include such technology within their development, then we would highlight the benefits of locating these facilities near existing gas infrastructure.

Again, where the Council are in discussions with developers via the Local Plan, we would hope that these early notifications requirements are highlighted.

Please let me know if the above information is sufficient for your requirements at present. If, however, you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

## Regards.

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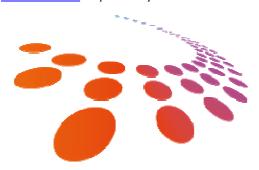
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**From:** Planning Policy [mailto:planningpolicy@Fareham.Gov.UK]

**Sent:** 26 January 2015 10:16

Subject: Notice of Proposed Modifications to the Fareham Borough Local Plan Part 3: The Welborne Plan

Dear Sir/Madam

Notice of Proposed Modifications to the Fareham Borough Local Plan Part 3: The Welborne Plan

The Local Plan Part 3: Welborne Plan is a site-specific plan, which sets out how the new community of Welborne will be delivered over the period to 2036.

The Welborne Plan was submitted to the Secretary of State on 23rd June 2014 for independent examination. As part of the examination, public hearings were held during October 2014 in which a number of issues relating to 'soundness' were identified by the Planning Inspector conducting the examination, Mr David Hogger BA MSc MRTPI MCIHT. These issues were subsequently identified in the Inspector's Preliminary Findings letter which requested that the Council address these issues through Main Modifications to the Welborne Plan.

The 23 Main Modifications that are proposed by the Council to address these issues are now available for public comment from **Monday 26th January to 5:00pm on Monday 9th March 2015**. Minor Modifications, which do not relate to soundness or national policy, are also published and are available for public comment. The Inspector will be provided with copies of all representations.

The Main Modifications and Minor Modifications can be viewed on the Council's website at www.fareham.gov.uk/welborneplanmodifications or at the following locations:

Location	Opening Times
Fareham Borough Council Civic Offices, Civic Way, Fareham PO16 7AZ	Monday to Thursday 8.45am - 5.15pm Friday 8.45am - 4.45pm Saturday and Sunday - Closed
Fareham Library Osborn Road, Fareham PO16 7EN	Monday, Thursday and Friday 9am - 7pm Tuesday, Wednesday & Saturday 9am - 5pm Sunday closed
Portchester Library West Street, Portchester PO16 9TX	Monday 9.30am – 7pm Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 9.30am – 5pm Saturday 9.30am – 1pm Tuesday and Sunday closed
Lockswood Library Locks Heath Centre, Locks Heath SO31 6DX	Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 9.30am - 5pm Thursday 9.30am - 7pm Saturday 9.30am - 1pm Monday and Sunday closed
Stubbington Library Stubbington Lane, Stubbington PO14 2PP	Monday 9am – 7pm Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9am – 5pm Saturday 9.30am - 1pm Wednesday and Sunday closed

During the representation period, any person or organisation may make comments on the modifications. Comments should only relate to the Main or Minor Modifications and should <u>not</u> seek to repeat previous representations or request further changes to the published plan. Representations on Main Modifications need to focus on the grounds of 'soundness' and legal compliance as set out in National Planning Policy Framework - namely that it is:

•	Positively prepared	The plan should be prepared based on a strategy which seeks to meet requirements, including unmet requirements from neighbouring authorities achieving sustainable development;
•	Justified	The plan should be the most appropriate strategy, when considered agains evidence;

• Effective The plan should be deliverable over its period and based on effective joint wo

Consistent with The plan should enable the delivery of sustainable development in accordance national policy

All comments must be received by **5:00pm on Monday 9th March 2015** and can be made in the following ways:

- Online www.fareham.gov.uk/welborneplanmodifications
- Email planningpolicy@fareham.gov.uk
- Post Please use the <u>comment form</u> to write to Planning Strategy (Welborne), Fareham Borough Council, Civic Offices, Civic Way, Fareham, PO16 7AZ

If you have any questions on the consultation or would like to request a MS Word or paper copy of the response form then please contact the Planning Strategy (Welborne) team by telephone on 01329 236100 or by email at <a href="mailto:planningpolicy@fareham.gov.uk">planningpolicy@fareham.gov.uk</a>

If you would no longer like to receive information on Fareham Borough Local Plan consultations, including the Welborne Plan, then please let us know and we shall remove your contact details from our consultation database.

Yours faithfully				
A. CJE				
Richard Jolley Director of Planning and Development Fareham Borough Council				

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