

EASTLEIGH LOCAL PLAN UPDATE POLICY HA2 – MERCURY MARINA AND RIVERSIDE CAMPING AND CARAVAN PARK

Following the hearing sessions which ended in January this year, I wrote to the Council in April and May setting out a number of concerns regarding the Local Plan and requests that additional evidence be prepared.

The Council have responded to these concerns and prepared main modifications accordingly. However, the Council have also requested to submit additional detailed evidence in connection with policy HA2. In order to ensure that the examination is conducted in an open and fair manner, I have decided it is necessary for a further hearing to be held to examine this information and afford representors the opportunity to comment accordingly.

The hearing will not be an opportunity to revisit matters which have previously been discussed at the hearings, except where the changes now proposed by the Council have a bearing. The hearing will therefore be limited to a discussion solely in connection with policy HA2 – Mercury Marina and Riverside Camping and Caravan Park. Matters, Issues and Questions will be issued for the hearing session shortly. For the present time, such hearings are being undertaken virtually and the provisional date for this hearing has been set for **Tuesday 5 January 2021 at 1000**. Specific guidance regarding the virtual nature of the hearing will be issued in due course, including details of how to join and participate in the session for those parties who made representation seeking a change to the policy at the Regulation 19 stage of the Plan.

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