

Matter 2

Action 2.1 Modifications are currently proposed in the Biodiversity statement of common ground (ED47) to add supporting text to provide further information on mitigation. To consider further whether this is needed for soundness given that MM100 and ED47 already include in policy DM11 that mitigation is required at the appropriate time. Consider whether MM100 should refer to the requirement for project level HRA.

1. The Council now considers that the modifications it proposed in July 2019 which set out further details of mitigation measures in supporting text are not needed for soundness on the basis that policy DM11 itself (as modified) requires the necessary mitigation to be implemented at the appropriate time. Policy DM11 modifications are set out in MM43.

Action 2.2 Provide Chief Executive's delegated 'sign off' report for regulation 19 consultation (June 2018).

2. This was provided to the Programme Officer 22nd November and published as Examination Documents ED54 and ED55.

Action 2.3 Provide Council report of December 2016.

3. Provided to Programme Officer 22nd November and published as ED58.

Action 2.6 Statement of Common Ground on Biodiversity Appendix 3 Addendum to HRA should be integrated into any proposed modifications HRA.

4. This will be included in the updated HRA which is still being worked on. We'll provide a cross reference here to the relevant document prior to publication at modifications stage.

Action 2.7 Confirm any information on timescale for New Forest Mitigation Strategy

5. The strategic New Forest Mitigation Strategy will be based on research undertaken by Footprint Ecology in 2018/2019. This research has been finalised and published in five reports on the New Forest National Park Authority's website¹. The partnership responsible for the strategic mitigation is putting governance and decision making structures in place to progress discussions on an appropriate mitigation strategy. The partnership will use the information in the research to consider whether all, or only part, of Eastleigh borough will be required to contribute to the strategy and the proportionate level of contributions.

¹ Reports available at <https://www.newforestnpa.gov.uk/documents/conservation/footprint-ecology-2020/>

Action 2.8 Provide Holohan Legal judgment.

6. This was provided to the Programme Officer 22nd November 2019.

Action 2.9 Council to provide response to legal Opinions/Notes from: ADD; Persimmon

7. Provided to Programme Officer 28th January 2020 (Examination Documents 68 and 69).

Action 2.10 Confirm when Employment Land Background Paper (June 2018) was first published.

8. The Employment Land Background Paper was first published on the Council's Local Plan web site in December 2017.