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Hearing Statement – Matter 8

On behalf of The Master, Fellows and Scholars of the College of St John's the Evangelist in the University of

Cambridge



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Respondent No: 311

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1. Introduction

- 1.1. This Hearing Statement has been prepared by Savills (UK) Limited on behalf of The Masters, Fellows and Scholars of the College of St John the Evangelist in the University of Cambridge ('St John's College').
- 1.2. Savills (UK) Limited on behalf of the College have made the necessary and relevant representations at all consultation stages of the emerging Plan. This includes representations made to the Regulation 19 version of the Plan.

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2. Matter 8: Housing Land Supply

Issue 3: Components of Supply

Question 3: What evidence is there to support the housing trajectory for Westwood (Policy SP16)? Does this adequately reflect the time it will take to bring development forward and the necessary infrastructure requirements for the site?

2.1. As set out in our statement on Matter 5 in respect of Westwood our client is instructing a project team to prepare a planning application for submission within 12 months. Baseline survey work has been carried out in respect of ecology, archaeology/heritage, utilities and landscape. This work has been used to inform the masterplan which accompanies our Regulation 19 representations. Planning permission has already been granted for 40 dwellings on land to the east of Red House Farm within the southern part of the allocation.

Question 15: Appendix B to the Plan estimates that 50 dwellings will be delivered on the site in 2019/20. What is this based on and is it a realistic expectation?

As stated above, 40 dwellings have been granted reserved matters under reference R/TH/16/1522 on 14 August 2018. These dwellings could come forward imminently. The College is instructing consultants to prepare for the submission of an outline planning application within 12 months. We anticipate that it is realistic to expect first completions on the site to occur in the year 2021/2022 and to continue as set out in our representation to Appendix B and as set out in the Statement of Common Ground regarding Policy SP16.