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**To:** Neighbourhood Planning

**Cc:** Planning Consultations

**Subject:** Charlton Neighbourhood Plan Regulation 16 - Hampshire County Council Response

Dear Sir / Madam,

The following comments are provided by the County Council in its capacity as the Local Highway Authority (LHA) and Lead Local Flood Authority (LLFA).

Hampshire County Council as the Local Highway Authority provides the following comments on the Charlton Neighbourhood Plan:

Paragraph 7.9 requires rewording as gateways (white fences as referred to in the text) on the approaches to the village will not by themselves solve air quality. They can, when used alongside other traffic management measures, have a positive impact on driver behaviour i.e. reduce vehicle speeds which may then have an impact on air quality.

The County Council note in paragraph 7.11 that the Parish do not support the provision of public electric charging points for vehicles in this Plan. With both Test Valley Borough and Hampshire County Councils having recently declared a 'Climate Emergency' and with the expectation that Developers should implement electric charging points in new developments (cross reference para 8.17.4), the County Council think this point should be reconsidered in light of the Government's decision to ban the sale of diesel and petrol cars by 2035. If charging points are installed within the Highway Boundary this will be a decision for Hampshire County Council.

#### **CNP2 – Land North of Goch Way**

The County Council request that this policy should include mention that any application should be supported by a Transport Statement and a Travel Plan. Mitigation measures should also include mention of access by means / modes other than car.

#### **CNP18 – Retention of Local Shops and Businesses**

The County Council supports the retention of local shops and businesses as this will enhance the sustainability and viability of the village and encourage the use of non-car modes of transport for short, local convenience trips.

#### **CNP20 – Access & Road Safety**

The Parish should continue to liaise with the County Council with regards to traffic management initiatives for the Borough.

Policy text 1:

The County Council consider that this should reference public transport as a mode of transportation.

## **Community Aspirations (Movement, road safety and parking)**

**Objective – To retain the bus service as exists:** Hampshire County Council is happy to work with residents and bus operators to maintain services through the village, subject to viability/available funding.

**Objective – Improve Off Road Parking:** Hampshire County Council is happy to continue working with the Parish to ensure appropriate traffic calming is implemented taking into consideration highway polices including engineering standards.

Hampshire County Council as the Lead Local Flood Authority provides the following comments on the Charlton Neighbourhood Plan:

The Lead Local Flood Authority are pleased to see a robust policy (CNP13) with regards to the use of SuDS and permissible development in flood prone areas - Following the comments made by the County Council as LLFA on the pre-submission plan in September 2019, the County Council is happy the Parish has responded to this feedback with appropriate amendments to the Neighbourhood Plan, and therefore the County Council as Lead Local Flood Authority has no further comments to make.

If you have any questions then please do not hesitate to get in touch with me in the first instance.

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