

**Forest Heath Single Issue Review of Policy CS7 and
Site Specific Allocations Local Plan**

Statement of Common Ground

**Reference: SoCG: Suffolk County Council, Corporate Property and Forest
Heath District Council**

Date 19th September 2017

This statement of common ground relates to the representations made by Concertus Design & Property Consultants (Mr Colin Wright) on behalf of Suffolk County Council, Corporate Property in relation to the Forest Heath Proposed Submission Single Issue Review and Site Allocations Local Plan.

The representations made by Concertus on behalf of Suffolk County Council, Corporate Property have been considered and this Statement of Common has been agreed with Forest Heath District Council and for submission to the Inspector for the Single Issue Review and Site Allocations Local Plan Examination.

Suffolk County Council supports the inclusion of the land at west Mildenhall for allocation and supports the policy as drafted within the Forest Heath Proposed Submission Site Allocation Local Plan Policy SA4(a) (Appendix A).

The representation submitted on the 13th March 2017 which requested a modification to include an additional 12.4ha of land within the site area of policy allocation SA4(a) is no longer required.

This conclusion follows further work on the concept masterplan which has demonstrated the additional land is no longer necessary. The exercise has shown that the 1,300 dwelling allocation can be delivered within the existing site area using the general assumptions in accordance with the policy criteria.

The assessment carried out shows that once the non-residential elements and draft policy requirements for SA4(a) are allowed for, there remains sufficient land for housing development at the following average densities:

1,300 dwellings @ 60% coverage	36 dwellings per ha average
1,300 dwellings @ 70% coverage	30 dwellings per ha average

This demonstrates that the potential range of average residential development densities across the allocation would be acceptable in planning terms and therefore the representation proposing a modification to enlarge the site area of allocation SA4(a) is **withdrawn**.

Delivery Programme

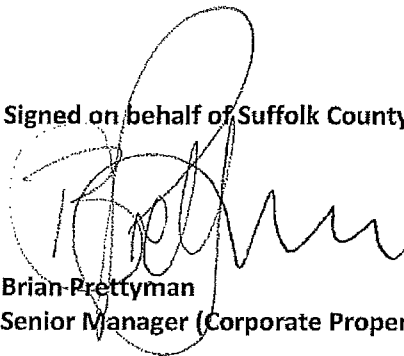
A delivery programme has been prepared to demonstrate that the site will be delivered within the plan period and this is attached as Appendix A. Further supporting evidence will be provided in respect of the specific site for the Site Allocations Local Plan (SALP) hearings on 18th October 2017.

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