## Inspectors Interim Question Arun District Council Response to Paragraph 11

## **Bognor Regis Golf Course**

- 1. At session 4 of the hearings into the Arun Local Plan the question 'What is the current position in relation to any impacts arising on Bognor Regis Golf Course from EBR?' was asked. Following the discussion the Council was asked to confirm its position in relation to the future potential redevelopment of the golf course in the context of the Local Plan, taking into account the need for a new link road to be delivered to provide access to site no. 4 'Former LEC Airfield and adjoining land'. Representatives of the Golf Club requested greater policy support for the future redevelopment of the Golf Course to enable residential development and ensure access arrangements to site 4.
- 2. The Council agreed to confirm its stance in respect of the Local Plan approach to Bognor Regis Golf Course and the Enterprise Bognor Regis policy (EMP DM2) following discussions that have taken place between the Council and the representatives of the Golf Club.
- 3. The Council can confirm that initial discussions have taken place with representatives of the Golf Club to discuss the potential relocation of the Golf Course and redevelopment of the existing site for some housing.
- 4. The site has been assessed as part of the Sustainability Appraisal (PELP28a) and this has concluded that due to various constraints the site is not suitable for allocation within the Local Plan. As consequence, reference to the golf club has not been included within the plan.
- 5. The Council recognises that any future proposal to redevelop the Golf Course may provide the opportunity to deliver an access link road from A259 through to site 4. However, there is no intention to allocate the site for residential development as part of the Local Plan.
- 6. The Council will continue to discuss any emerging proposals with the Golf Club should they arise through the development management process, and any planning application would be considered against the Development Plan and other material considerations in due course.
- 7. Should the site continue to be promoted for allocation, the Council will consider the potential for the site to be allocated for future development through subsequent Development Plan Documents or Local Plan reviews, taking into account the potential wider benefits for future comprehensive development associated with Site 4.
- 8. The Council considers that this does not lead to the conclusion that site 4 cannot be delivered, and that discussions will need to take place with representatives of site 4 and adjoining landowners in order to ensure that the site will be delivered over the course of the plan-period. It should be noted

that any access arrangements for site 4 potentially utilising land outside of the site boundary will not restrict the potential deliverability of sites 1, 2 and 3 at Enterprise Bognor Regis.