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Dear Councillor McKinlay,

### **Comments on the Brentwood Draft Local Plan 18 Preferred Site Allocations**

I am writing on behalf of Epping Forest District Council to respond to your Regulation 18 consultation on the Draft Local Plan Preferred Site Allocations which sets out the strategy and allocations for your District for the period 2011-2033.

We welcome the work undertaken to meet the identified needs in the area through a varied portfolio of site allocations. It will be important however, to ensure that the Council is able to demonstrate that it will meet in full those identified needs within the authority boundary as agreed during our joint work via the West Essex and East Herts Cooperation for Sustainable Development Board. It currently appears that there is a risk of some unmet housing need over the plan period should the acceleration of the garden village proposal not be achieved. It is advisable that the Council continues to maintain a watching brief regarding its role on the West Essex and East Hertfordshire Cooperation for Sustainable Development Board with regard to potential cross boundary matters.

May I congratulate you on reaching this stage and wish you all the best for moving forward to the next stages of the Local Plan process.

Yours sincerely

Councillor John Philip

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