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From.....Joyce Upperton, [REDACTED]

To .....Councillor Stephen Philpott, Chairman, GBC Economic Development Board.

Dear Stephen,

re New Plans for Town Centre and Bus Station

I have a suggestion or two which I believe to be essential:

- 1) Keep our wonderful waterfront as open as possible....our views from the Falklands Gardens must not be lost. They have been 'eroded' somewhat over the years, even the improved landing stage for passengers is an interruption to what was an open view.
- 2) Keep in mind (and on any plan) that it is a travel interchange, and essential place for people who have to travel to work, and for tourists and visitors.
- 3) Essential, with access to taxis, is a short term 'pull-in' for private drivers to take to or collect from the ferry. Our only train access is 'over the ferry', and I am just one of the many Gosport residents who, over many years, collect my family and visitors by pulling in as near to the ferry as we can get bearing in mind luggage, shopping etc. When children are being collected from schooling in Portsmouth, the present number of spaces is inadequate. They are essential and as near to the ferry as possible. When you are 'older' these matters are even more important and not always in the mind of younger people who are making the plans!
- 4) Also essential are public conveniences! As a travel terminal, and exchange, not to have conveniences is not acceptable. I'm sure something can be done about the misuse that has closed our present arrangement.
- 5) A new bus station would be great but it must be near to the ferry for access to the railways and we must not loose our splendid open views, better as they are than anywhere else.

Best wishes

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26th September 2017