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Dear Sir,

Please find attached a representation submitted in response to the ongoing public consultation on the Gosport Waterfront & Town Centre SPD, on behalf of MOD.

Yours faithfully,

Rob Sanderson

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Dear Sir,

Response to Gosport Waterfront and Town Centre SPD

As you may be aware, the Ministry of Defence, (MOD), owns a number of sites within the SPD area. The Defence Infrastructure Organisation manages the Defence estate on behalf of MOD and has a number of comments on the document:

Royal Clarence Yard

The existence and purpose of the pipeline running across the site should not be publicised, in order to minimise any potential security issues. In addition, operational and security requirements are likely to limit opportunities for access over the route of the pipeline. The second paragraph under the Retained Area subheading (on page 62) should therefore be deleted and an additional sentence inserted in the third paragraph, to read:

‘The site includes an area of land that will be retained for MOD operations. The remainder of the site...’

The Summary Table (on page 95) also refers to the oil pipeline. The Key Delivery Issues for Opportunity Site 9 should be amended to read:

‘DIO intend to sell the site, although an area will be retained for MOD operational purposes. The exact size and shape of the area is subject to further work’

Plan 13 (page 61) shows the boundary of the area designated for marine-led employment provision and, by extension, the land that will be retained by MOD for operational purposes. It should be noted that the boundary between the two may differ from that shown on the plan, as a result of ongoing work and detailed discussions between MOD and the LPA. Use of the deepwater access immediately north of the jetty may be constrained by MOD operational requirements.

Mumby Road Car / Lorry Park

The SPD proposals for the Mumby Road car / Lorry Park are noted.

Flood Defences

The recommendations in Table 4 regarding flood defence measures at Forton Lake South are noted.

Arden Park

The SPD proposals for the site are noted.

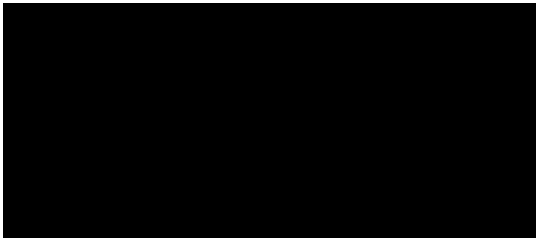
Northern Ramparts

The LPA's aspiration to incorporate this part of the lines into a wider Gosport Lines walk is noted and understood. However, MOD has a number of concerns about the proposals:

- The ramparts form the eastern boundary of the Oil Fuel Depot, which is a key MOD asset and one that is currently being renewed in order to ensure its long term future. The safety and security of the site and the safety of members of the public is paramount and these issues are likely to either preclude or significantly limit opportunities for public access along the ramparts.
- MOD would also have concerns about the reopening of the old railway tunnel through the ramparts for public access, given that it is also the route of the pipeline.
- The relationship of the proposed route with the nursery, off Weevil Lane, would need to be carefully considered in order to avoid any negative impact on the operation of the nursery.

If you have any questions regarding this letter or would like to discuss our representations, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,



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