

DTC/3a / EX12

**Welwyn Hatfield Borough
Local Plan**

Duty to Cooperate Statement – Addendum

18 August 2017



Introduction

This Addendum supplements documents already submitted to the examination, namely the Council's Duty to Cooperate Statement (DTC/3) and the Council's response to preliminary questions on Duty to Cooperate (EX04).

Table 1 provides a summary of Duty to Cooperate conclusions and outcomes by duty to cooperate body, and Table 2 provides a schedule of duty to cooperate activity since submitting the Local Plan for examination in May 2017.

TABLE 1: Strategic issues and summary of conclusion/outcomes – Broxbourne Borough Council

Strategic Issue	Conclusion/Outcome
Housing Market Areas	MoU (DtC/9) sets out the agreed position on Housing Market Areas: Both authorities have carried out SHMAs which consider cross-boundary relationships and the relevant evidence base of surrounding areas. Both authorities recognise cross-boundary market relationships with each other. However, on a ‘best fit’ whole local authority basis, the evidence concludes that Broxbourne forms its own HMA.
Housing Need and Supply	MoU (DtC/9) sets out the agreed position on Housing Need and Supply. Both the Regulation 19 WHBC Local Plan (as submitted) and Regulation 18 Draft Local Plan for Broxbourne used the 2012-based subnational population and household projections. Broxbourne has indicated that it cannot assist in meeting unmet needs from Welwyn Hatfield. Ahead of its Regulation 19 consultation, Broxbourne is reviewing its objectively assessed need in order to reflect the 2014-based projections. If this results in Broxbourne having a housing need which it can no longer accommodate, it is agreed that the housing supply position in Welwyn Hatfield prevents WHBC from being able to assist. Meeting future housing needs in addition to that identified in respective Local Plans will be challenging and will require cooperation in order to investigate solutions including the potential for new settlement(s) in a sustainable location.
Development Strategy around Cuffley and Goffs Oak	MoU (DtC/9) sets out the agreed position on development and infrastructure provision in the Goffs Oak and Cuffley area. Whilst links between the two authority areas are generally not as strong as with other areas, Cuffley (in Welwyn Hatfield) and Goffs Oak (in Broxbourne) are closely linked and it is agreed that each relies on the other for infrastructure. It is agreed that the strategy outlined in Broxbourne’s Regulation 18 Draft Local Plan to expand Woodside School in Goffs Oak is the most effective means to meet future primary education capacity needs in the area.
Gypsies and Travellers	MoU (DtC/9) sets out the agreed position on Gypsy and Travellers. Both authorities are planning to meet respective needs, and there are no identified cross-boundary issues at the present time.
Employment and Jobs	MoU (DtC/9) sets out the agreed position on employment and jobs. Whilst WHBC does not include Broxbourne within its FEMA, it is agreed that there are cross-boundary economic links and both FEMA geographies are appropriate. WHBC has expressed some concern at Broxbourne’s lack of

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	indication on how needs for warehousing will be met based on its Regulation 18 Draft Local Plan, BBC has not indicated that WHBC will need to assist in meeting these and therefore it is agreed that there are no cross-boundary issues relating to helping the other to meet employment needs.
Retail	MoU (DtC/9) sets out the agreed position on retailing. Broxbourne's evidence indicates needs for growth in retail floorspace that cannot be accommodated in existing centres – it is agreed that the majority of these will be met within the proposed Brookfield Riverside development. Whilst it is agreed that the quantum of floorspace proposed should not harm the vitality and viability of Welwyn Garden City and Hatfield town centres in quantitative terms, WHBC will continue to monitor the potential for qualitative impacts as Broxbourne's plan develops.
Green Belt	MoU (DtC/9) sets out the agreed position on the need to review the boundaries of the Green Belt. It is agreed that exceptional circumstances exist to justify the release of land from the Green Belt for both authorities.

TABLE 1: Strategic issues and summary of conclusion/outcomes – East Herts District Council

Strategic Issue	Conclusion/Outcome
Birchall Garden Suburb	MoU (DTC/1) sets out the agreed position with East Herts District Council and Hertfordshire County Council (as Mineral and Planning Waste Authority), the approach to joint working and a shared Policy approach in the submitted Local Plans of both authorities.
Housing Market Areas	MoU (DtC/5) sets out the agreed position on Housing Market Areas. Both authorities have carried out SHMAs which consider cross-boundary relationships and the relevant evidence base of surrounding areas. Both authorities recognise cross-boundary market relationships with each other. However, on a 'best fit' whole local authority basis, the evidence concludes that East Herts has stronger market relationships with other areas (in West Essex). The WH HMA includes East Herts, with a more tightly defined area relating to the A414 corridor between and including Hertford and WGC and the rural hinterland.
Housing Need	MoU (DtC/5) sets out the agreed position on Housing Need. Both authorities have assessed the need for housing within their respective areas. EHDC has updated its OAN post-submission of the East Herts and WH Plans.
Housing Supply	MoU (DtC/5) sets out the agreed position on Housing Supply. At the point of submission, EHDC proposed to deliver a quantum of new homes in excess of their (then) OAN. The updated OAN indicates a small shortfall (11dpa). A partial review of the EH Plan may be required. Welwyn Hatfield's Local Plan target is below its OAN. It has proposed an early review to address infrastructure issues and to work with other authorities to plan for future needs. Both Local Plans are seeking to accommodate dwellings within the more tightly defined HMA. Mutual acknowledgement that physical constraints prevent further growth than is currently proposed. Meeting future housing needs in addition to that identified in respective Local Plans will be challenging and will require joint working in order to investigate solutions including the potential for new settlement(s) in sustainable locations.
Gypsy and Traveller Provision	MoU (DtC/5) sets out the agreed position on Gypsy and Traveller provision. Both authorities have prepared Local Plans which seek to meet respective identified needs for Gypsies and Travelling Showpeople and have a shared allocation at land to the east of Welwyn Garden City. It is therefore agreed that neither authority requires further assistance from the other to help meet objectively

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	assessed needs. Furthermore, the two authorities have agreed that a shared evidence base would be useful at the plan review stage to take into account the needs from a wider area, particularly to address transit requirements on a more strategic scale.
Employment	MoU (DtC/5) sets out the agreed position on employment and jobs. Related to the shared housing market area, there are clear relationships in terms of employment and travel to work, facilitated by the A414 corridor. As a key employment destination, Welwyn Hatfield has a wide reaching Functional Economic Market Area. In order to take advantage of the connections between Hertford and Welwyn Garden City and the key highway routes, both authorities agree that locating a new employment area along the B195, central to the proposed site allocation of land South East of Welwyn Garden City will contribute towards creating a sustainable community.
Transport	MoU (DtC/5) sets out the agreed position on transport. Both authorities agree to continue to work closely in order to identify and address any issues in relation to capacity of the A414 and the wider strategic road network, in collaboration with Hertfordshire Highways and Highways England where appropriate. Both authorities also agree to work closely to identify opportunities to improve sustainable means of travel where possible.
Education	MoU (DtC/5) sets out the agreed position on Education. Both authorities agree to continue to work closely to identify and address any issues in relation to educational needs arising from development, in collaboration with Hertfordshire County Council. The cross boundary strategic site, Birchall Garden Suburb, makes provision for both primary and secondary education.
Infrastructure	MoU (DtC/5) sets out the agreed position on infrastructure in general. Both authorities agree to continue to work closely (including as active members of the A414 group) to identify and address any issues relating to strategic infrastructure arising from development, in collaboration with infrastructure providers as necessary.
Community Facilities, Leisure, Sport and Recreation	MoU (DtC/5) sets out the agreed position on community facilities leisure sport and recreation. Both authorities agree to continue to work closely to identify and address any issues relating to community facilities, leisure, sport and recreation needs arising from development, in collaboration with infrastructure providers as necessary.

TABLE 1: Strategic issues and summary of conclusion/outcomes – Hertsmere Borough Council

Strategic Issue	Conclusion/Outcome
Housing Market Areas	MoU (DtC/4) sets out the agreed position on Housing Market Areas. Both authorities have carried out SHMAs which consider cross-boundary relationships and the relevant evidence base of surrounding areas. Both authorities recognise cross-boundary market relationships with each other. However, on a 'best fit' whole local authority basis, Hertsmere falls within the SW Herts HMA.
Housing Need	MoU (DtC/4) sets out the agreed position on Housing Need. Agreed OAN that informed the WH Draft Local Plan is informed by 2012-based SNPP/SNHPs. An update in light of 2014-based SNPP/SNHP will lead to a higher OAN for WH. HBC is to review its OAN through the SW Herts Group once the Government has published its common methodology.
Housing Supply	MoU (DtC/4) sets out the agreed position on Housing Supply. HBC at an early stage of plan preparation and has not reached any conclusions as to how it may meet its OAN, whether it will have the capacity to address any unmet need from neighbouring areas or whether it may need to approach neighbouring areas to meet any unmet need of its own. Agreed will need to work together but timing of plan preparation means that HBC is not currently in a position to assist WHBC with its shortfall. WHBC has agreed to an early review of its plan and to work with Hertsmere and others to address the infrastructure issues which have resulted in the shortfall and to explore opportunities for housing delivery post 2031.
Gypsy and Traveller Provision	MoU (DtC/4) sets out the agreed position on Gypsy and Traveller provision. Both authorities planning to meet respective needs. Neither requires assistance of the other at the current time. Transit provision to be discussed in light of future evidence base.
Employment	MoU (DtC/4) sets out the agreed position on Employment and Jobs. Relationships identified but HBC lies within the SW Herts FEMA. WH's FEMA includes East Herts, Luton, North Herts, St Albans and Stevenage. WH is seeking to protect its employment land and allocate new areas to meet its projected job growth. HBC also protects its employment areas. Neither authority requires assistance of the other at the current time. This will be kept under review.

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<p>Infrastructure – transport, education and community and leisure facilities</p>	<p>MoU (DtC/4) sets out the agree position on Infrastructure. Transport, Education, and Community and Leisure Facilities identified as relevant cross-boundary issues. Transport: Both authorities are members of the A1(M) consortium and will continue to lobby for funding to address congestion on the A1 and associated junctions. Localised junctions identified. WHBC and HBC will continue to work together to ensure sufficient capacity on local and strategic highway network to accommodate growth. Work commenced on South Central Herts Growth and Transport Plan (WHBC, HBC and St Albans). Education: Agree to work together to address education provision arising from growth. Community and Leisure: Agree to work together to identify and address needs arising from development in Little Heath which may impact on Potters Bar.</p>

TABLE 1: Strategic issues and summary of conclusion/outcomes – North Herts District Council

Strategic Issue	Conclusion/Outcome
Housing Market Areas	MoU (DtC/2) sets out the agreed position on Housing Market Areas. Both authorities have carried out SHMAs which consider cross-boundary relationships and the relevant evidence base of surrounding areas. Both authorities recognise cross-boundary market relationships with each other. However, on a ‘best fit’ whole local authority basis, the evidence concludes that North Herts shares a HMA with Stevenage.
Housing Need	MoU (DtC/2) sets out the agreed position on Housing Need. Both authorities have assessed the need for housing in their respective areas. In light of the acknowledged housing market relationships, it is agreed that joint consideration is given to the matter of housing need.
Housing Supply	MoU (DtC/2) sets out the agreed position on Housing Supply. The North Herts Local Plan proposes to meet objectively assessed needs for the district in full. (North Herts is also planning to accommodate some of Luton’s unmet need and safeguard land to meet Stevenage’s future needs). Welwyn Hatfield’s target is below its OAN and has committed to an early review to address infrastructure issues and to work with other authorities to plan for future needs. Agreed that North Herts unable to sustainably accommodate any further growth within the more tightly defined WH HMA. Agreed that joint working will be required to investigate solutions to the future housing needs of the respective authorities. This includes the potential for a new garden town(s) or settlement(s) in sustainable locations. WHBC has asked that the next review of the North Herts Local Plan, considers the identified and longer-term needs of the wider sub-regional area, including Welwyn Hatfield.
Gypsies and Travellers	MoU (DtC/2) sets out the agreed position on Gypsy and Travellers. Both authorities have prepared Local Plans that plan to meet respective identified needs for Gypsy and Travellers. It is agreed that there are no cross-boundary issues related to helping the other to meet need.
Employment and Jobs	MoU (DtC/2) sets out the agreed position on Employment and Jobs. The North Hertfordshire / Stevenage / Central Beds FEMA and the Welwyn FEMA recognise the extent of each other, but don’t necessarily correlate in terms of geographical outline. It is agreed that both economic geographies are considered to be appropriate for the purpose they serve. It is agreed that the

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	<p>balance between housing and jobs is appropriate for both authorities and that both plans offer sufficient flexibility over the plan period. Welwyn Hatfield, North Herts and Stevenage are satisfied that the new employment projections for the A1(M) corridor can be met by provision in the respective Local Plans. Agreed that the WH balance between employment land and housing provision is appropriate taking into account housing development in East Hertfordshire District next to Welwyn Garden City. NHDC are proposing to meet some of Stevenage's "unmet" employment need within their plan. Should opportunities arise, the authorities will work together in relation to updates to employment forecasts and the subsequent implications.</p>
Education	<p>MoU (DtC/2) sets out the agreed position on Education. The potential secondary school provision in Knebworth identified in the NHDC Local Plan could, if pursued, meet needs across the wider local area including needs arising in Welwyn and Woolmer Green/Oaklands given their proximity and the possibility of more sustainable patterns of movement. Agreed that WHBC and NHDC will continue discussions with Hertfordshire County Council to ensure that education needs are met in the most appropriate way, supported by robust, up-to-date and objective evidence.</p>
Transport	<p>MoU (DtC/2) sets out the agreed position on Transport. The Welwyn Hatfield and Stevenage and Hitchin (WHaSH) transport model provides the basis for transport modelling in the WHBC Local Plan and links to the Stevenage Hitchin and Urban Model (SHUM) which underpins the North Herts DC Local Plan. Agreed that the process and outcomes of the modelling are robust and that the impacts identified can be mitigated. Both authorities agree to continue to work closely in order to identify and resolve any issues in relation to the cumulative traffic implications of their respective plans.</p>
Green Belt	<p>MoU (DtC/2) sets out the agreed position on Green Belt. Agreed that the extent and release of Green Belt in the respective plans is appropriate and that exceptional circumstances have been identified through the plan and associated evidence base. Agreed that concerns NHDC identified in their representations relating to an additional purpose in WHBC's Green Belt Review have been overcome. (Meeting June 2015: mutual agreement reached that sites should not be allocated that extend Oaklands & Mardley Heath west of the A1(M), because of the difficulty in defining a defensible new Green Belt boundary).</p>

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Retail	MoU (DtC/2) sets out the agreed position on retail. Both authorities support the strategy taken in the respective Local Plans to maintain local market share. As such the vitality and viability of existing retail centres in Welwyn Hatfield and North Herts will not be undermined.

TABLE 1: Strategic issues and summary of conclusion/outcomes – St Albans City and District Council

Strategic Issue	Conclusion/Outcome
Housing Market Areas	<p>Duty to Cooperate meetings have discussed the implications of each authority's evidence base on housing market areas. The SHMAs of each authority have used different methodologies and result in different outcomes. The Welwyn Hatfield SHMA identifies a cross-boundary housing market relationship with a number of areas, including with St Albans (both on a wider and a more defined basis). St Albans suggest a single authority HMA approach (although WH has previously identified an ambiguity with Figure 4.4 of the St Albans SHMA, which does not identify coterminous boundaries between the St Albans Core HMA and St Albans borough area. In addition, the SW Herts SHMA concludes that St Albans falls within the SW Herts HMA.</p>
Housing Need	<p>Duty to Cooperate meetings have discussed the implications of each authority's evidence base on housing need. WH has advised SA that a SHMA Update 2017 has resulted in an increase in the OAN.</p> <p>SADC have advised that their Planning Policy Committee on 12th September will consider next steps relating to their Strategic Local Plan, the OAN and housing land supply. As with the SW Herts Authorities they are awaiting the publication of the government's standard methodology on calculating the OAN.</p> <p>Informal Officer and Member level meetings in early August have updated the position from the last DtC meeting in March and have indicated that they will be seeking to work more cooperatively with neighbouring authorities in the future.</p> <p>SADC consider that the Welwyn Hatfield SHMA 2016 over-estimates the need for housing (DLPPS630)</p>
Housing Supply	<p>WHBC has advised St Albans that it has a shortfall. From DtC discussions, WHBC understands that SA is unable to currently assist in meeting that shortfall. WHBC will be seeking cooperation from a number of authorities including SADC, HBC and the SW Herts Group to consider any opportunities for meeting the shortfall.</p> <p>SADC will be reviewing their next steps at their Planning Policy Committee on 12th September 2017. There is no position of agreement at the current time but SADC have confirmed at informal</p>

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	officer and member level meetings that they will be seeking to work more cooperatively in the future.
Symondshyde New Village	St Albans raised concerns about the capacity of the highway network, education, Green Belt and DtC. WHBC has advised SADC of the WHaSH transport modelling that has been carried out as well as landowner modelling. HCC has not raised any objection on highway or education grounds. Secondary school provision will be made at the site to the NW of Hatfield SDS5 (Hat1).
Green Belt	There is a shared evidence base on the role of land in the Green Belt. SADC raised concerns that the results of the Strategic Green Belt Review had not been included in the assessment of sites. WHBC have provided details of the site selection assessment included considering the results of the GBR. Any change in SADC position would need to be considered by Members
Employment and Jobs	<p>The Welwyn Hatfield FEMA reflects relationships with five surrounding authority areas of Stevenage, St Albans, Luton, North Hertfordshire and East Herts. The St Albans Economic Development and Employment Land Evidence April 2016 concludes that the Luton Travel to Work Area, which does not include Welwyn Hatfield, comprises the best overall definition of a FEMA for the area within which St Albans falls, with the proviso that account will be taken of the relationship with London and Welwyn Hatfield</p> <p>St Albans consider that the SLP identified sufficient employment land to meet their needs and some of Dacorum's needs at the largest employment land allocation lying to the East of Hemel Hempstead within a designated Enterprise Zone.</p> <p>SADC consider that the Welwyn Hatfield evidence has over-estimated the need for employment land and that some employment land could be released for housing.</p> <p>Both authorities have considered the suitability of Roehyde's (WHBC HELAA ref. HAT8,9 & 10) for employment and considered it unsuitable.</p> <p>Neither authority has proposed releasing the site also known as Roehyde AS036 allocated in the Waste Local Plan from the Green Belt.</p>
Gypsies and Travellers	Both authorities have carried out a needs assessment. WHBC has outstanding objections to the SLP due to the apparent under-provision of pitches to meet the identified need in St Albans.

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	Further discussions to be held. SADC have objected to the allocation of HS34 (GTLAA09) Coopers Green Lane for 10 Gypsy and Traveller pitches in the WH Local Plan.
Retail	The positions taken in both Local Plans are based on maintaining local market share. Welwyn Hatfield has withdrawn its objection to retail proposals in the St Albans SLP, which identifies additional retail floorspace in London Colney. (DtC meetings October 2016 and March 2017). There are no outstanding cross-boundary strategic matters at the current time relating to this matter.
Green Infrastructure and Ellenbrook Country Park	<p>SADC has welcomed the maintenance of the Strategic Gap between Hatfield and St Albans with the withdrawal of a major housing development (Hat2) necessary to respond to the vulnerability of this gap, to ensure that the Plan accords with the Joint Green Belt Review.</p> <p>Both authorities continue to support the provision of the Country Park, which should be implemented as envisaged in the original S106 agreement. St Albans would need to be a signatory to any variation in the S106. (DTC meeting 23 March 2017). Planning permission has been granted for the extraction of minerals on this site subject to a S106 agreement and both authorities are working with HCC on this matter.</p> <p>There is a green infrastructure notation on the WH Key Diagram in the location of Ellenbrook Park although St Albans would prefer a clearer statement on the policies Map. However the SADC regulation 18 consultation on their detailed local plan did not propose a similar notation. As the Ellenbrook Country Park will remain in the Green Belt and be subject to mineral extraction during the Plan period, it is considered acceptable by WHBC not to provide a more detailed allocation on the Policies Map and that the Strategic GI noted on the Key Diagram remains appropriate.</p>

TABLE 1: Strategic issues and summary of conclusion/outcomes – Stevenage Borough Council

Strategic Issue	Conclusion/Outcome
Housing Market Areas	MoU (DtC/7) sets out the agreed position on Housing Market Areas: Both authorities have carried out SHMAs which consider cross-boundary relationships and the relevant evidence base of surrounding areas. Both authorities include the other in their wider Housing Market Area (although 'functional' HMA is the terminology used by Stevenage), but on a 'best fit' whole local authority basis, the evidence concludes that Stevenage forms a Housing Market Area with North Hertfordshire.
Housing Need	MoU (DtC/7) sets out the agreed position on Housing Need: Both the Regulation 19 WHBC Local Plan (as submitted) and Regulation 19 Stevenage Local Plan used the 2012-based subnational population and household projections. Stevenage's Local Plan is nearing the end of examination, and meets those needs in full. Because its Local Plan effectively releases all Green Belt land within the borough, Stevenage has indicated that it cannot assist in meeting any unmet housing needs from Welwyn Hatfield.
Gypsies and Travellers	MoU (DtC/7) sets out the agreed position on Gypsies and Travellers. Both authorities' plans will meet respective identified needs for Gypsy and Traveller provision in full, and there are no cross-boundary issues related to helping the other to meet need.
Employment and Jobs	MoU (DtC/7) sets out the agreed position on Employment and Jobs. Stevenage does not include Welwyn Hatfield in its Functional Economic Market Area, whereas Stevenage has been identified as being within Welwyn Hatfield's. Despite this, it is recognised by both authorities that economic linkages exist. Stevenage has proposed main modifications to reflect that it no longer intends to rely on WHBC to assist in meeting its economic needs, and has articulated a strategy whereby unmet needs will be met in North Hertfordshire or Central Bedfordshire.
Retail	MoU (DtC/7) sets out the agreed position on Retail. The evidence of both authorities indicates needs for relatively modest amounts of new retail floorspace – WHBC has agreed to make a minor modification to Policy SP16 in the Local Plan to clarify that it is not intending to change the relative position of Welwyn Garden City in the regional retail hierarchy. As such, it is agreed that each authority's plan includes specific retail site allocations which are well aligned to identified needs.

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Transport	MoU (DtC/7) sets out the agreed position on Transport. WHBC uses the Welwyn Hatfield and Stevenage and Hitchin (WHaSH) transport model, which is linked to the model used by Stevenage – the Stevenage and Hitchin Urban Model (SHUM). Insofar as impacts on the A1(M) are concerned (this being the main route of cross-boundary strategic importance), it is agreed that identified impacts can be mitigated against.

TABLE 1: Strategic issues and summary of conclusion/outcomes – London Borough of Barnet

Strategic Issue	Conclusion/Outcome
Housing Market Areas	Barnet evidence draws no conclusions around a shared HMA with WH. The WH HMA includes Barnet.
Housing Need	Barnet has yet to identify an up to date OAN - considering a SHMA with alliance of west London authorities.
Housing Supply	WH advised Barnet of WH shortfall and likelihood of the need to seek assistance from authorities within the WH HMA. Given the early stage of plan preparation in Barnet, WH acknowledge difficult for Barnet to assist at the current time. However, WH continuing to seek to work with Barnet and has sought reassurance that Barnet is committed to working with WH on housing matters.

TABLE 1: Strategic issues and summary of conclusion/outcomes – London Borough of Enfield

Strategic Issue	Conclusion/Outcome
Housing Market Areas	Both authorities have carried out SHMAs which consider cross-boundary relationships with surrounding areas. The Enfield evidence recognises limited links with WH but concludes that Enfield could be considered a single local market area. The WH HMA includes Enfield.
Housing Need	Both authorities have carried out SHMAs which made an assessment of the need for housing. Enfield has confirmed that meeting Enfield’s needs within Enfield’s borough boundary will be challenging.
Housing Supply	WH advised Enfield of WH shortfall and likelihood of the need to seek assistance from authorities within the WH HMA. Given the different stages of plan preparation, WH acknowledge difficult for Barnet to assist at the current time. Enfield has confirmed that the challenge of meeting Enfield’s needs means that Enfield is unable to help address the [current] shortfall in WH.
Employment	WH evidence base does not place Enfield within the WH FEMA. The Local Plan has identified sufficient employment land to meet forecasts for jobs growth in the borough within the plan period. Enfield is part of the London Stansted Cambridge Corridor (LSCC) which links together areas of growth. Enfield has ambitions to grow its economy and increase the number of jobs.
Strategic road network	Enfield has advised it will seek further discussions with WHBC on how its new Local Plan can further connectivity with the M25 and use the M25 corridor as an asset. (The M25 does not run through WH but forms part of southern borough boundary. The A1(M) does run through WH and links with the M25 to the south).
General matters	Both authorities remain committed to working with each other on planning matters of a strategic cross-boundary nature.

TABLE 1: Strategic issues and summary of conclusion/outcomes – Greater London Authority/Transport for London

Strategic Issue	Conclusion/Outcome
Housing Market Areas	GLA notes (2016) WH housing market geography and importance of collaboration through the DtC.
Housing Need	GLA welcomes (2016) WH's approach to the OAN, in particular the consideration of longer-term migration trends and the reflection of greater migration from London.
Housing Supply	<p>A response sent on behalf of 51 Local Planning Authorities around London (including Welwyn Hatfield) highlighted concerns with the Further Alterations to the London Plan (FALP) and the approach to addressing the housing needs of London, which would need to be tackled in a strategic and collaborative way. The London Plan¹ does not currently require authorities outside London to accommodate any London shortfall. The Mayor has committed to an early plan review, revising housing targets by 2019/20 (paragraph 3.24 of the London Plan). A wider SE Group has been established to engage with the Mayor on the review of the London Plan.</p> <p>In its response to the WH Reg.19 consultation, the GLA notes if WH is unable to meet its need in full, it should reassure itself it has addressed the requirements of the NPPF.</p> <p>WH has objected to the GLA draft methodology for the London SHLAA as it does not consider that it would result in a comprehensive assessment of land availability.</p>
Employment	The GLA considers (2016) that Welwyn Hatfield falls within the London - Stansted - Cambridge - Peterborough Corridor extending from North London through Hertfordshire to Essex. However, Welwyn Hatfield is not listed by the LSCC Growth Commission as lying within the corridor.
Strategic Transport	GLA notes (2016) initial discussions on possible devolution of some inner suburban rail services to TfL. This may affect rail services on the Welwyn Garden City to Moorgate line and the line serving Cuffley.

¹ A composite Plan comprising the 2011 London Plan and four sets of alterations:
https://www.london.gov.uk/sites/default/files/the_london_plan_2016_jan_2017_fix.pdf

TABLE 1: Strategic issues and summary of conclusion/outcomes – South-west Herts authorities (Dacorum Borough Council, Three Rivers District Council and Watford Borough Council – Hertsmere Borough Council in separate table)

Strategic Issue	Cross-boundary issue - Conclusion/Outcome
Transport	Identification of cross-boundary strategic routes particularly A414. DBC to advise WHBC of any outcomes arising from J8 M1 highway improvement partnership work, which could potentially impact on A414. WHBC/DBC members of A414 Consortium. Both working with HCC (and others) on the production of a strategy for this corridor.
Education	Cross-boundary relationships recognised - with Hertsmere (primary and secondary planning areas), and University of Hertfordshire and Oaklands College (with St Albans). DBC committed to joined-up approach to provision.
Housing Market Areas	SW Herts SHMA identifies a HMA which includes on a 'best fit' whole local authority basis Dacorum, Hertsmere, St Albans, Three Rivers and Watford. Relationships with Welwyn Hatfield are recognised but these are not so strong as to conclude that WH lies within the SW Herts HMA. The WH SHMA identifies Hertsmere and St Albans within its HMA.
Housing Need	WHBC participated in SW Herts SHMA Project Advisory Group – mutual exchange of methodology and evidence. SW Herts to update evidence following release of Government's draft methodology.
Housing Delivery	WHBC and DBC agree need for joint approach to explore potential for new settlement(s). Notification from WHBC seeking consideration by the SW Herts Group of WH's shortfall against its OAN. DBC advised request needs to be made early – Watford may need assistance from those authorities that share a HMA. Request has been made of DBC (within SW Herts context).
Gypsy and Traveller Needs Assessments	DBC working with Watford BC to update needs assessment evidence. Evidence to be shared. Implications to be discussed.
Employment	SW Herts Economy Study identifies a FEMA which includes on a 'best fit' whole local authority basis Dacorum, Hertsmere, St Albans, Three Rivers and Watford. WH's FEMA includes East Herts, Luton, North Herts, St Albans and Stevenage. Common market relationship – with St Albans. Agreed with DBC that WHBC is not currently envisaging asking any authority within SW

Strategic Issue	Cross-boundary issue - Conclusion/Outcome
	Herts to meet any of its need. SW Herts authorities planning to meet their own needs but evidence to be updated and WH to be advised if SW Herts position changes.
Green Belt	Shared evidence base with Dacorum (and St Albans). Consultation by Three Rivers and Watford on draft methodology. DBC cannot meet its need for housing without significant Green Belt release. Few areas perform poorly.
Strategic Green Infrastructure	Ellenbrook Country Park – a strategic GI asset between Welwyn Hatfield and St Albans. County-wide options to be explored for evidence base and delivery of other areas of strategic GI. Preliminary meeting held. HPG Dev Plans to consider further.
Waste Water	Shared Waste Water TW (Maple Lodge). DBC to update WHBC on any further Stage 2 Water Cycle Study that may be required (affects Chiltern DC).

TABLE 1: Strategic issues and summary of conclusion/outcomes – Luton Borough Council

Strategic Issue	Conclusion/Outcome
Employment	Respective evidence bases take different approaches to establishing economic needs and the definition of a Functional Economic Market Area – whilst Luton does not identify economic links between Luton and Welwyn Hatfield, the WH evidence base does. WHBC is satisfied that Luton’s Local Plan proposes to more than meet its forecast need for jobs (EEFM) over the plan period, whilst the WH Plan sets a target level of employment floor-space supply to meet WH’s economic needs. Agreed that neither authority will be reliant upon the other to meet any economic needs.
Housing	In 2015 Luton confirmed that WH was not being asked to assist in meeting the unmet needs arising from Luton. Respective evidence base of both authorities does not identify any significant housing market linkages between Welwyn Hatfield and Luton. WHBC has not asked Luton to assist in meeting our unmet housing need. However, given Luton’s reliance on North Herts to meet some of its housing need, WHBC has made Luton aware of discussions WHBC has had with North Herts. Joint working will be needed between local authorities in the wider sub-regional area to address future housing need. WHBC has specifically asked NH that the next review of its Local Plan considers the potential to meet identified housing needs from the wider sub-regional area (including Welwyn Hatfield).

TABLE 1: Strategic issues and summary of conclusion/outcomes – Hertfordshire County Council (as Education Authority)

Strategic Issue	Conclusion/Outcome
Infrastructure – secondary education	<p>The Council has engaged with HCC at a series of meetings since October 2015 to understand the increase in secondary school capacity required in connection with the Local Plan growth strategy. This commenced with testing a number of possible scenarios for growth, leading to firming up the way in which secondary education would be provided to serve the need arising from the sites proposed for allocation in the DLPPS 2016. HCC has identified the need for new secondary schools or ‘through schools’ at the strategic sites SDS5 (Hat 1) at North-West Hatfield, and at Birchall Garden Suburb WGC on the land within East Herts DC area. Where appropriate, therefore, the meetings have involved the landowners of these strategic sites and East Herts DC. An MoU is in draft between HCC, WHBC and Gascoyne Cecil estates concerning the requirement for a secondary school of adequate size at SDS5, and an SoCG is in draft confirming the provision of a new secondary school at Birchall to serve SDS2.</p>
Infrastructure – primary education	<p>The Council has engaged with HCC at a series of meetings since October 2015 to understand the increase in primary school capacity required in connection with the Local Plan growth strategy. This commenced with testing a number of possible scenarios for growth, leading to firming up the way in which primary education would be provided to serve the need arising from the sites proposed for allocation in the submitted Local Plan. HCC is satisfied with the new primary school provision indicated in the Local Plan for the strategic development sites (SDS1-SDS6), however it has identified a need for an additional primary school to serve growth in southern Hatfield. The Council is in discussion with HCC and appropriate landowners to try to identify a site for a new primary school in this area.</p>

TABLE 1: Strategic issues and summary of conclusion/outcomes – Hertfordshire County Council (as Minerals and Waste Planning Authority – MWPA)

Strategic Issue	Conclusion/Outcome
<p>Sterilisation of resources and the delivery of homes and jobs</p>	<p>HCC as the MWPA has provided advice on sites promoted through the Local Plan in the context of mineral resources, the potential for the viable extraction of resources and how this may impact the phasing of future development.</p> <p>WHBC considered this advice in the HELAA, which in turn has informed the site selection process and ultimately, the proposed allocation of sites in the Local Plan. Policies: SADM21, SP18, SP19, SADM26, SP22, SADM27, SADM28, SADM29, SADM30, SP23, SADM31, SADM32, SADM33, SP24, SADM35.</p>
	<p>MoU (DtC/8) sets out the agreed position on strategic sites and mineral sterilisation. A policy approach has been agreed in the Local Plan for the strategic development sites SDS1, SDS2, SDS5, HS34, where it is considered that there may be potential for minerals extraction, subject to further and timely investigations where necessary. The text of policies were updated, through minor modifications.</p> <p>HCC initially suggested Policy wording relating to the opportunistic extraction use of minerals in Policy SP24 for site SDS6 (Symondshyde) because of its location within the sand and gravel belt. However, following consideration of the landowner’s viability evidence and a Geological Investigation Report (2001), HCC has now agreed that it is unlikely that opportunistic mineral extraction will be achievable.</p> <p>HCC has suggested that SADM 1: Windfall Development, should be amended to require proposals to consider the policies contained within the Minerals and Waste Plan. Changes were sought to the supporting text of this policy to include reference to the Mineral Consultation Area SPD (in addition to updating the policies map), to ensure potential development proposals consider their impact on mineral resources and do not result in their unnecessary sterilisation.</p> <p>WHBC considered that these modification were unnecessary because the Minerals Local Plan forms part of the Development Plan and decisions are taken in accordance with this, as well as the Minerals Consultation Area SPD. It is considered inappropriate to identify the mineral consultation areas on the Policies Map as no examination has been undertaken for the extent of the mineral</p>

Strategic Issue	Conclusion/Outcome
	<p>consultation areas. Windfall development is likely to take place on small sites within settlements where mineral extraction is unlikely to be feasible.</p> <p>Both parties have agreed to work together to ensure the implementation of policies do not result in the sterilisation of mineral resources and windfall developments on mineral bearing land will be subject to a consultation with HCC.</p>
Waste Management Facilities	<p>MoU (DtC/8) sets out the position on Waste Management Facilities. HCC has provided advice in relation to three sites that are allocated in the Waste Site Allocations document.</p> <p>Both parties have agreed that the waste allocation off Birchall Lane, Cole Green should be removed from the Green Belt, as it is covered by Policy SP19 for site SDS2. It is also designated as an employment area within WH Local Plan. The Burnside safeguarded waste site that adjoins policy area SDS2 was removed from the Green Belt to create a defensible Green Belt boundary.</p> <p>An agreement has not been reached on whether the waste site allocations at Roehyde and Travellers Lane New Barnfield Centre should be removed from the Green Belt. Their identification as allocated Waste Management Facilities on the WH Policies Map is supported by HCC. A review of the Waste Local Plan has commenced, (adoption indicated 2021). A review of the evidence base will re-examine allocations.</p> <p>HCC have agreed that no additional supporting text (i.e. Para 14.38) for a buffer is required in relation to the employment use of Birchall Lane as no residential development is proposed in the vicinity and a wildlife site/cycle path already provide a buffer.</p>

TABLE 1: Strategic issues and summary of conclusion/outcomes – Hertfordshire County Council (as Highways Authority)

Strategic Issue	Conclusion/Outcome
Highway infrastructure/capacity (modelling work)	Draft MoU agreed and awaiting signatures. Transport modelling has been undertaken using the WHaSH model, which was commissioned and refined with the involvement of HCC. The modelling has assessed the cumulative impact of development on the highway network and has informed the selection of sites and the Draft IDP. It has also led to the identification of mitigation schemes for key junctions and links. Outside the WHaSH model area, HCC has assessed the cumulative impact of traffic from development sites within villages and considered whether mitigation works would be required.
Highway infrastructure/capacity (site-based work)	HCC as Highways Authority has reviewed promoted sites through the WH HELAA and its advice on access and highway safety has informed decisions on site suitability.
Policies	Policy development: Liaison on SADM 2 (Highway Network and Safety) and SADM3 (Sustainable Travel for All)

TABLE 1: Strategic issues and summary of conclusion/outcomes – Other Duty to Cooperate bodies

Highways England (HE)

Strategic Issue	Conclusion/Outcome
Highway infrastructure/capacity	Draft MoU agreed and awaiting signatures. Transport modelling has been undertaken using the WHaSH model, which has been developed in consultation with HE. HE (as the Highways Agency) are a signatory to an earlier MoU from 2014 agreeing the WHaSH model as a basis for assessing the traffic impacts of Local Plan growth. The later MoU indicates that HE, HCC and WHBC will work together to identify potential longer term solutions to congestion at and around Junctions 3 and 4 of the A1(M) in particular.

Hertfordshire Local Enterprise Partnership

Strategic Issue	Conclusion/Outcome
Targets for Growth	MoU (DtC/6) sets out the agreed position that targets are appropriate. Infrastructure constraints noted and both parties support an early review of the Plan.
Settlement Strategy	MoU (DtC/6) sets out the agreed position – both parties agree that planning for any kind of large new settlement is a long term aspiration which must be considered in a Hertfordshire-wide context and is not solely the responsibility of one borough or District.
Transport	MoU (DtC/6) sets out that both parties agree that existing groups (A414 Group, A1 Consortium) and strategies (Hertfordshire Transport Vision 2050 and local Transport Plan) are the correct mechanism to identify solutions
Infrastructure	MoU (DtC/6) sets out the agreed position that Hertfordshire LEP may need to be involved in the delivery of infrastructure to enable developments and this will be kept under review.

Strategic Issue	Conclusion/Outcome
University of Hertfordshire	MoU (DtC/6) sets out the LEP's support taken in the Plan and acknowledge provision for a science park will be within an alternative site nearby.
New village at Symondshyde	MoU (DtC/6) sets out the agreed position that the scale of the proposed village is appropriate and in keeping with other villages in Hertfordshire.

Local Nature Partnership

Strategic Issue	Conclusion/Outcome
Conservation and enhancement of the natural environment	The LNP response to WHBC Statement confirms that the WH Local Plan accords with all six principles in full or in part. WHBC to propose a minor modification to the Plan to respond to LNP comments relating to Principle 5.

Historic England (HE)

Strategic Issue	Conclusion/Outcome
Sustainability Appraisal (SA)	English Heritage (now Historic England) provided responses to the SA Scoping Report (2008), Additional SA Scoping (2014) and Local Plan Consultation SA (2015). These were taken into account and a number of amendments made as a consequence. Comments and the response of the SA authors are set out in Appendix 1 of the WH Proposed Submission SA (2016) (SA/6b).
Conservation and enhancement of the historic environment	Local Plan consultation and HELAA: Historic England has considered the likely impact on heritage assets as part of the development of the Local Plan. The views of HE have informed the assessment of site suitability in the HELAA and in turn, this has informed the site selection process which led to the proposed allocation of sites in policies: SADM21, SP18, SP19, SADM26, SP22, SADM27, SADM28, SADM29, SADM30, SP23, SADM31, SADM32, SADM33, SP24, SADM35.

Strategic Issue	Conclusion/Outcome
	<p>Masterplanning: It is agreed that HE will be invited to engage in further detailed planning relating to the strategic development sites identified in the Local Plan as these sites have particular potential to impact on the historic environment. The Draft Local Plan Proposed Submission requires that masterplans be prepared for strategic development sites to provide additional guidance on site specific matters. It is agreed that WHBC will engage HE at an early stage in the masterplanning process to enable HE officers to determine their level of further involvement and to ensure that the views of HE inform masterplan preparation, drafting of related SPDs and are ultimately be reflected in the statutory planning framework.</p>
	<p>Heritage Impact Assessments: HE's representation in respect of WHBC's Local Plan Consultation Document 2015 identified a requirement for WHBC in conjunction with East Herts District Council (EHDC) to commission an independent study defining the significance of Panshanger Park and its environs and assessing the sensitivity of the surrounding area for development. WHBC and EHDC subsequently commissioned an expert assessment engaging with HE in regard to both the tender brief and various drafts of the document. The Panshanger Park and Environs Heritage Impact Assessment has informed the policy objectives and strategy diagrams for sites North East of Welwyn Garden City and South East of Welwyn Garden City.</p> <p>In response to HE's representation to the Draft Local Plan Proposed Submission WHBC has proposed a number of Minor Modifications to the Local Plan as set out in the Schedule of Minor Modifications (SUB/8). Minor modifications are proposed requiring that a) the masterplanning of North East Welwyn Garden City and South East Welwyn Garden City protects and enhances heritage assets having regard to the findings of the Panshanger Park and Environs Heritage Impact Assessment (June 2016); and b) that the masterplanning of North West Hatfield and Symondshyde is informed by, and consistent with the recommendations of, a Heritage Impact Assessment. It has been agreed by WHBC and HE that further detailed guidance to conserve and enhance the historic environment should be provided in the Supplementary Planning Documents that are proposed for each of the strategic sites and which will be based upon jointly produced masterplans prepared by WHBC working with landowners and other key stakeholders including HE.</p> <p>WHBC is currently working with HE to agree a Memorandum of Understanding and a Statement of Common Ground to support the examination of the Local Plan.</p>

Environment Agency

Strategic Issue	Conclusion/Outcome
Sustainability Appraisal (SA)	The Environment Agency provided responses to the SA Scoping Report (2008) and the Additional SA Scoping (2014). Comments and the response of the SA authors are set out in Appendix 1 of the WH Proposed Submission SA (2016) (SA/6b).
Water Infrastructure	The Environment Agency has been party to the following studies. Rye Meads Water Cycle Study (2009) Water Cycle Scoping Study (2010) and the Hertfordshire Water Study (2015/17).
Flood risk	SFRA: The Environment Agency has been party to the Strategic Flood Risk Assessments (ENV/2 and ENV/10)
Contamination	The Council has liaised with the Environment Agency around contamination issues whilst developing plans for Birchall Garden Suburb (Site SDS2). The outcome was a position that enabled the capacity of the site to be increased to 1,200 dwellings from the 700 dwelling capacity estimated at the time of the 2015 Local Plan Consultation Document.
Policy development	Environment Agency provided feedback on a number of matters in the Core Strategy Issues and Options Paper 2009, the How Many Homes (Housing Targets) consultation 2011, the Emerging Core Strategy 2012 and Local Plan Consultation 2015 and the Draft Local Plan Proposed Submission 2016. Minor modifications have been proposed in response to their representations on the Plan seeking to clarify certain matters.

Natural England

Strategic Issue	Conclusion/Outcome
The Sustainability Appraisal (SA)	Natural England provided responses to the SA Scoping Report (2008), the Emerging Core Strategy SA (2012), Additional SA Scoping (2014) and the Local Plan Consultation SA (2015). Comments and the response of the SA authors are set out in Appendix 1 of the WH Proposed Submission SA (2016) (SA/6b).
Habitats Regulations Assessment	Natural England concurred with the recommendations of the HRA Report and supported the HRA of the Emerging Core Strategy 2012.
Policy development	Natural England provided feedback on a number of matters in the Issues and Options paper 2009, emerging policies in the Emerging Core Strategy 2012 and the Local Plan Consultation 2015.
Green Infrastructure, environment policies, HRA, SA, masterplanning	Natural England was formally consulted during each stage of the Plan-making process (i.e. from the Issues & Options to the Proposed Submission stages). Whilst Natural England's representation to the Draft Local Plan Proposed Submission Document (2016) was received late on the 26/10/17, beyond the consultation period (24/10/17), all issues raised in this (and in previous representations) have been taken into consideration. The Council considers that there are no outstanding issues in relation to the soundness of the Local Plan and a draft MoU was prepared prior to submission (April). To date Natural England has not responded.

Clinical Commissioning Group/NHS

Strategic Issue	Conclusion/Outcome
Infrastructure – health	The East and North Hertfordshire CCG and NHS England submitted a joint response (dated 29/9/16) to consultation on the Draft Local Plan Proposed Submission in 2016. The health bodies indicate that they wish their own plans (e.g. Local Estates Plans, Sustainable Transformation Plan (STP) and CCG strategic delivery plans) to align closely with the WH Local Plan. They anticipate further conversation around the Local Plan as it progresses, as well as on funding requirements that may be met through Section 106 or CIL contributions.

Civil Aviation Authority

Strategic Issue	Conclusion/Outcome
No strategic issues identified	The CAA has been consulted at every stage in the preparation of the Local Plan. No outstanding DtC matters identified.

Office of Rail Regulation

Strategic Issue	Conclusion/Outcome
Rail Network	The Office of Rail Regulation advised (2015) that proposals do not affect the current or future operation of the mainline network in Great Britain. No outstanding DtC issues identified.

TABLE 2: Post Submission Duty to Cooperate activity

DtC Body / Group	Nature of Activity	Cross boundary/strategic issue	Outcomes	Date
HCC	Primary School Provision	Education	HCC have identified a need for additional primary school capacity to serve southern Hatfield. Explore option for delivery of new primary school on HS11 (Hat11). Correspondence initiated with landowner/promoter.	Ongoing discussions
HCC/GCE	Secondary School Provision	Education	Draft Memorandum of Understanding relating to secondary school provision on SDS5 (Hat1) and the search for a third new secondary school site. Content of the MoU is in discussion between HCC, WHBC and Gascoyne Cecil Estates (GCE), the site owner.	Ongoing discussions
Historic England	Memorandum of Understanding	Working relationship between DtC bodies -	Draft in preparation	Ongoing discussions
Historic England	Statement of Common Ground	HE representations to the DLPPS	Draft in preparation following exchange of evidence and site meeting on 25 th July 2017	Ongoing discussions
Highways England/HCC	Memorandum of Understanding	Highways network	Highways England response to the DLPPS was not duly made. WHBC continues to work with HE (and HCC) and draft MOU has been agreed. Agreed to work together on the impact of growth on the strategic highway network, to confirm the robustness of transport modelling that informs the Local Plan, the need for further work for longer term solutions for J3 and J4 of the A1(M), and the need to deliver modal shift.	Ongoing discussions principles agreed. Awaiting signatures

DtC Body / Group	Nature of Activity	Cross boundary/strategic issue	Outcomes	Date
HCC, North Herts DC, Stevenage BC, East Herts DC, St Albans DC (Also Govia Thameslink Rail and local rail user groups)	Meeting	Rail network	Opportunity to explore impacts of proposed rail timetable changes, notably the lack of regard being had to levels of economic and housing growth proposed when determining future service patterns. WHBC to provide further comments to Govia Thameslink Rail highlighting importance of this.	10/08/2017
Hertfordshire Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP)	Meeting	Strategic infrastructure to facilitate Hatfield TC regeneration	Funding for multi-storey car park - meeting in advance of LEP Board meeting on 21 September.	09/08/2017
Dacorum BC (in the context of south-west Herts)	Letter	As set out in Table 1 above	As set out in Table 1 above	03/08/2017
Herts CC	Memorandum of Understanding	Minerals and Waste	As set out in Table 1 above	03/08/2017
Broxbourne BC	Memorandum of Understanding	As set out in Table 1 above	As set out in Table 1 above	03/08/2017
Local Nature Partnership	Accordance with the LNPs Guiding Principles	Nature Conservation	LNP response to WHBC Statement – to confirm the WH Local Plan accords with all six principles in full or in part. WHBC to propose minor modifications to the Plan to respond to LNP comments.	02/08/2017

DtC Body / Group	Nature of Activity	Cross boundary/strategic issue	Outcomes	Date
Hertfordshire Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP)	Meeting	Strategic infrastructure to facilitate Hatfield TC regeneration	Funding for multi-storey car park - meeting in advance of LEP Board meeting on 21 September. Ongoing claiming of previously awarded funding from LEP as a contribution towards the Hatfield Renewal Partnership to fund early stage regeneration work (ongoing since 2016)	04/07/2017
Wider SE Group	Wider SE working group – strategic joint working	London Plan Review, Strategic Waste Management, Infrastructure, Housing Delivery	Latest meeting considered evidence base approach in relation to review of London Plan.	19/06/2017
Stevenage BC	Memorandum of Understanding	As set out in Table 1 above	Agree Strategic Priorities of a cross-boundary nature. Agree to work together and through wider forums on strategic matters where there is a cross-boundary issue.	06/06/2017
Hertfordshire Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP)	Hertfordshire LEP Strategic Economic Plan	Joint members of partnerships - Hatfield Renewal, Hertfordshire Infrastructure and Planning panel, A1 Consortium and A414 group.	Agree that matters raised in response to the DLPPS 2016 have been overcome. Remain committed to on-going DtC activity and cooperation. LEP may be involved in delivery of sites.	30/05/2017

DtC Body / Group	Nature of Activity	Cross boundary/strategic issue	Outcomes	Date
Broxbourne BC, Hertsmere BC, North Herts DC, East Herts DC, St Albans DC, Stevenage BC, LB Enfield, LB Barnet, SW Herts (Dacorum, Watford, Three Rivers)	The need for housing	WH SHMA Update 2017 – WH advised neighbouring authorities of latest SHMA Update. Acknowledged recent cooperation to reflect the evidence base of others.	Sharing most up to date evidence base in an area with complex housing market geography	31/05/2017
LB Enfield	Consultation on City Parks meeting	Longer term growth	Enfield Proposals for HS2. Long term growth and the need for infrastructure. Seeking WH support for EBC approach for infrastructure investment. Will need future discussions around implications for WH.	31/05/2017
Hertfordshire Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP)	Telephone	Strategic infrastructure to facilitate Hatfield TC regeneration	Funding for multi-storey car park - funding application for Hatfield Town Centre (submitted 05 May 2017). Cooperation to assist understanding of the application.	30/05/2017
East Herts DC	Memorandum of Understanding	As set out in Table 1 above	Agree Strategic Priorities of a cross-boundary nature, approach to Plan reviews, unable to assist with housing shortfall in this round of plan making. Agree to joint working to explore opportunities within and beyond plan-period.	25/05/2017

DtC Body / Group	Nature of Activity	Cross boundary/strategic issue	Outcomes	Date
Hertsmere BC	Memorandum of Understanding	As set out in Table 1 above	Agree Strategic Priorities of a cross-boundary nature, agree approach to Plan reviews. Agree unable to assist with housing shortfall in this round of plan making. Agree to work together to explore opportunities within and beyond plan-period.	25/05/2017
Herts Planning Group	Proposals for joint working	Growth in Hertfordshire	Planning for the future of Hertfordshire: WHBC Head of Planning presented options for local authorities to consider over coming month/years as plans are adopted and work begins on new plans. Considerable debate around joint working and identifying growth outcomes.	24/05/2017
HCC Education	Meetings/emails	Infrastructure provision, windfall development and education	HCC had previously been objecting to residential planning applications but will now consider S106 route for provision of primary/secondary school provision.	23/05/2015
Dacorum BC	Letter from Dacorum BC (on behalf of Dacorum BC) in response to WHBC letter to Dacorum (Three Rivers and Watford)	Whilst WHBC and DBC do not share a boundary, agree that there are a number of strategic priorities that affect both areas (and within the context of SW Herts).	Agree need for joint working on county-wide (or sub county-wide) for longer term growth needs. If WHBC needs to ask SW Herts to meet any unmet need, do so as early as possible. Watford unlikely to be able to accommodate its needs and DBC has a stronger HMA relationship with WBC.	17/05/2007
Submission Date				15/05/2017