RESPONDANT: - 6458 AGENT: - 4612



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Dear Sir

WARWICK DISTRICT COUNCIL LOCAL PLAN PREFERRED OPTIONS CONSULTATION

We act for the Coventry and Warwickshire Development Partnership in connection with their proposed scheme: "The Coventry and Warwickshire Gateway".

In this regard, we support the Local Plan's intention to explore the case for the Gateway site to be identified as a site of regional importance for employment to serve the regeneration needs of the Coventry & Warwickshire sub region.

We understand the Council's requirement to set the Gateway scheme, properly justified, in its sub-regional and local context. Particularly, we recognise the need to demonstrate the sufficiently very special circumstances to take the land out of the Green Belt, the case for which will be made in an application for planning permission which is due to be made next month.

Consequently, the application and the Local Plan will progress substantially in parallel, allowing a comprehensive assessment of the project not only in its own right, but also as part of the Council's overall development strategy.

Yours faithfully

John Holmes

