North Hertfordshire Local Plan 2011-2031 Examination in Public

SUPPLEMENTARY STATEMENT OF COMMON GROUND

As agreed between North Hertfordshire District Council And E.W.Pepper Limited

Concerning education provision on Land West of Ivy Farm, Royston

February 2018

- 1. This is an agreed statement of common ground in relation to education provision on land west of Royston. This land is identified as a proposed housing allocation within the North Hertfordshire Local Plan, Site RY1 (LP1, p.200) (the Site).
- The purpose of this statement is to provide the Inspector with further information regarding proposed education provision on the site, and its relationship to wider education in the Royston area in advance of the hearing sessions scheduled for February 2018.
- 3. The contents of this statement are without prejudice to the submission and determination of any future planning application(s) on this land.

Education provision on site RY1

- 4. The site specific criteria for the Site require an "appropriate solution for primary education requirements having regard to up-to-date assessments of need and geographical distribution of existing provision".
- 5. In their statement submitted to the examination in advance of the Matter 10 hearings, Hertfordshire County Council (HCC) in their role as education authority, have requested that an explicit policy requirement for a new school be made on this site.
- 6. A planning application has been submitted for the Site. Following ongoing discussions and negotiations between the landowner, NHDC and HCC, this application provides serviced land for a 2 form of entry (FE) first school (planning application reference 16/00378/1).
- 7. This will ensure sufficient lower school capacity is provided across Royston to meet the needs generated by the proposed site allocations in the Local Plan.
- On 17 January 2018, NHDC's planning committee resolved to grant planning permission subject to completion of a Section 106 legal agreement.
- 9. It is agreed that the relevant site-specific criterion should be deleted and replaced as below:
 - Appropriate solution for primary education requirements having regard to upto-date assessments of need and geographical distribution of existing provision Approximately 1.7 hectares of land at the east of the site reserved for provision of 2FE First School;

Declaration

The content of this document is agreed for the purposes of the North Hertfordshire Local Plan Examination.

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Signed on behalf of North Hertfordshire District Council



Position: Executive Member for Planning and Enterprise

Date: 2 February 2018

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