

Request for Extension to the Standard Consultation Period for Planning Application 55318/001 and 27000/005

Dear Samantha Owen,

I am writing to formally request an extension to the standard consultation period for the planning application referenced above. This request is based on the unavailability of the most recent housing figures and the Authority Monitoring Report (AMR) 2024, which has not yet been made accessible to the public.

The AMR is a crucial document that provides comprehensive data on housing delivery, land supply, and policy implementation within the district. Without access to the latest figures and the AMR 2024, it is challenging for stakeholders, including residents and community groups, to make fully informed comments on the current planning application.

An extension of the consultation period would ensure that all interested parties have the opportunity to review the most recent data and provide meaningful feedback. To ensure a fair and thorough assessment, we request that the extended consultation period commence only after the AMR 2024 and the most recent figures have been made available to the public.

According to the Council's statement in October 2023, East Hampshire District Council indicated a housing land supply of 4.74 years. However, this figure was contested during an appeal, and a planning inspector concluded that the actual supply was only 3.59 years. Further analysis by Pegasus Group adjusted this figure to 3.47 years. This shortfall demonstrates the critical need for up-to-date and accurate information to be available to the public before proceeding with the consultation.

This extension would uphold the principles of transparency and accountability in the planning process, allowing for a more comprehensive evaluation of the application based on the latest and most accurate information.

I kindly request that the consultation period be extended by 21 days starting from the date when the AMR 2024 and the updated figures are published. I appreciate your understanding and cooperation in this matter.

Thank you for your attention to this request. I look forward to your positive response.

Yours sincerely,

Note: For privacy reasons, all personal information including a signature has been attached as a separate document, as any comments on the planning application are intended to be published by EHDC.