# **UPDATES**

# for Committee Meeting to be held on 21/08/19

#### **ZONE 1 – WESTERN WARDS**

(1) P/19/0510/FP - TITCHFIELD

71-73 ST MARGARETS LANE, FAREHAM, PO14 4BG

One further representation received supporting the proposal.

### **ZONE 3 – EASTERN WARDS**

# (2) P/19/0301/FP - Stubbington & Titchfield Wards

# <u>Land East of Crofton Cemetery and West of Peak Lane, Stubbington</u>

Further Comments Received from Natural England on the updated Solent Waders and Brent Goose Strategy and following the Council's consideration of the Air Quality Ecological Impact Assessment. In summary, the comments state:

## **Solent Waders and Brent Goose Strategy sites**

It is noted that further to our consultation response in May 2019, the Solent Waders and Brent Goose Strategy maps have been updated and this affects the application site. We advise that further information is obtained from the applicant on the proposed measures to mitigate and offset the impacts of the development on the network of supporting waders and Brent goose habitat.

The southern part of the site (F17D) is identified as a Low Use site in the Solent Waders and Brent Goose Strategy. The proposed development will lead to a permanent loss of this habitat. The northern part of the site that will be retained as public open space is identified as F17C, which is a Secondary Support Area and has records of golden plover, lapwing, snipe. Any change of use of this site will require detailed consideration.

It is Natural England's understanding that no detailed information has been provided on proposed measures to mitigate or offset the permanent loss of the F17D. It is noted that it was proposed to retain the southern part of F17C as public open space. However, consideration is now being given to the ecological enhancement of this area, although no detailed information has been provided at this stage.

Natural England advises that further information is provided on the proposed measures to mitigate the loss of F17D and impact to F17C to inform the Habitats Regulations Assessment. There is a preference for some on-site provision to maintain a network of sites across the region. However, detailed consideration will need to be given to the proposed design and management of any offsetting site to ensure its effectiveness. Where impacts cannot be avoided or adequately mitigated on-site, proportionate mitigation would comprise offsetting or enhancement measures via payment towards the management and enhancement of the wider waders and Brent geese ecological network.

## Air quality information

We note your comments with regard to the need for further consideration of westward bound traffic along the Titchfield Gyratory on the A27 and then towards Segensworth, Junction 9 of the M27 or west through Park Gate or Lower Swanwick over the River Hamble. It is agreed that further consideration should be given to these links to ensure the in-combination effects have been addressed.