**Questions for Hart Council Regarding Local Plan**

I would like to ask the following questions at the council meeting on 30 April 2015, directed to Stephen Parker

## Status of the Local Plan Project and Work-Plan

At the last meeting, a supplementary question was asked about whether the local plan was on track. It was asserted that “It is on the track we have set. Consultation at Regulation 18 stage provides no added value according to the careful advice we have taken from the Planning Inspector. I would not accept that we are not on track”.

However, under the LDS version 3, there was due to be a consultation on a draft plan in March 2015. Notwithstanding that this Reg 18 consultation has been removed from the process, it is clear that the council does not have a draft plan now to consult upon even if it wanted to.

Moreover, it is my understanding that Part 1 testing of strategic sites was due to have been completed in time for the Local Plan Steering Group meeting due to take place on 24 March 2015. Further I understand that the planned meeting did not take place, and a follow up meeting is not scheduled for some time.

**Question:** What is the current status of testing?

**Question:** What is the work-plan for the Local plan project, including the scope, objectives, deliverables (e.g. plans for retail, employment, infrastructure, landscape character assessment etc. as well as the development planning document) and schedule (gantt chart) of activities up to the planned Reg 19 consultation in Autumn 2015.

**Question:** What formal project management methodology (such as Prince 2) is the council adopting to manage this complex project?