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Dear Mr Mellor

## Re: Maidstone Borough Local Plan Interim Findings.

Firstly I would like to thank you for your Interim Findings received on 22 December 2016, with which the Council is pleased. As was stated at the hearing session on Tuesday 24 January 2017 there is corporate agreement to undertake the plan review and to address other matters as set out in your report.

Secondly I would like to thank you for sight of the additional representations you have received from Rt. Hon. Helen Whately MP; Rt. Hon. Helen Grant MP; Kent County Council; Messrs. Robert Sinclair, John Carpenter, and Roger Hurst. They all raise issues that were, to a greater or lesser extent, comprehensively and carefully considered at the Examination based on submitted evidence. Transport, in particular, was the subject of much scrutiny, particularly in relation to the south east Maidstone strategic allocation.

This Council has nothing further to add to the evidence already presented at the Examination. Interested parties will have the opportunity to make further representations after the proposed modifications to the Maidstone Local Plan are discussed at the Strategic Planning, Sustainability and Transport Committee and thereafter are the subject of formal public consultation.

Yours sincerely

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