From:Natalie Hayward [Sent:18 March 2016 11:35To:Planning Policy Team, Brentwood Borough CouncilCc:Local Plans (Planning Policy); Christine LyonsSubject:RE: Brentwood Draft Local Plan: public consultation 10 February to 23 March 2016 [33]

Dear Planning Policy,

Draft Local Plan 2016

Thank you for inviting Rochford District Council, as a Local Planning Authority in a neighbouring Housing Market Area, to submit comments on Brentwood Borough Council's Draft Local Plan 2016. Rochford District Council recognises that this is the first formal stage in the development of Brentwood's local development plan and therefore welcomes the opportunity to provide comments at this early opportunity.

The A127 – alongside the A130 and A13 – forms part of the strategic road network for South Essex serving as a key route for residents and businesses living in the District and surrounding areas. It is therefore imperative that any development proposed in proximity to any of these corridors, is accompanied by adequate mitigation measures to the strategic road network.

Two strategic development sites are proposed within the vicinity of the A127 corridor to the south east and south west of the Borough. However, it is unclear from the Draft Local Plan 2016, what mitigation measures would be required to accompany significant development in this location. It is therefore strongly recommended that any future iterations of Brentwood's new Local Plan are clearly accompanied by appropriate mitigation measures, to ensure that any proposals would not have a detrimental impact on the A127 in particular.

Rochford District Council would welcome opportunities to engage with Brentwood Borough Council on strategic planning matters – particularly in relation to meeting housing needs and highways impacts – through the Duty to Co-operate as both Local Planning Authorities continue to progress and review their respective local development plans.

Interim Sustainability Appraisal

Thank you for inviting Rochford District Council, as a Local Planning Authority in a neighbouring Housing Market Area, to submit comments on Brentwood Borough Council's Interim Sustainability Appraisal for the Draft Local Plan 2016. The Council has no observations to make.

I would be grateful if you could please confirm receipt of the Council's comments.

Kind regards,

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The above comments are those of an Officer of the Council and are without prejudice to further consideration of this matter or to the Council's final decision

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