



## COUNCIL MEETING – 18 September 2024

### Questions by the Public under Council Procedure Rule 19.1

- Each questioner will have 2 minutes in which to ask their question (or may simply state to “refer to the order paper”). The order of the questions to be asked is as set out below and an officer will direct the questioner to the microphone when their name is called by the Mayor.
- If a questioner who has submitted a question is unable to be present, the Mayor may ask the question on their behalf, or invite another Councillor to do so, or indicate that a written reply will be given and published on the website following the meeting. or decide, in the absence of the questioner, that the question will not be dealt with.
- Please note that following the response given by the Councillor, the questioner may also ask a supplementary question which must arise directly out of the original reply.
- The **total** time allocated for questions will *normally* be limited to 20 minutes.
- Written answers will be published to questions submitted (but not supplementary questions) following the meeting and all members of the public who have asked a question will be notified accordingly.

	From:
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#### QUESTION 1

From: Mike Slinn

To: Leader and Cabinet Member for Asset Management (Cllr Tod)

“In excess of 3200 residents have approved our petition which states that ‘We call on Winchester City Council and Hampshire County Council to RE-OPEN Andover Road as a requirement for the approval of the Sir John Moore Barracks redevelopment’. Can you please confirm that the City Council will include consideration of this requirement in the consultation period of the Local Plan.”

#### Reply

“Thank you for your question.

The draft Local Plan – the so-called Regulation 19 plan – is currently out for consultation. The consultation period in your question is underway. The consultation includes policies for Sir John Moore Barracks and for Kings Barton in the section of the plan that deals with development allocation for Winchester. Currently those policies do not include a requirement to reopen the Andover Road – since the Strategic Transport Assessment that we had to commission as part of the Local Plan process did not require it – and, legally, we have to have robust evidence before being able to require a developer to take on this kind of obligation.

Any member of the public can respond to these policies and, at the close of the Regulation 19 consultation at 23:59 on October 13<sup>th</sup>, officers will review all the consultation responses the council receives about the R19 plan and will provide a summary of the issues arising to the Inspector.

At this stage in process, the City Council is able to summarise the issues raised in the consultation, but is not legally able to directly consider this requirement. The Regulation 19 Plan is locked and it is not possible to change it within the timetable set by central Government. The only person who can recommend changes from this point forward is the planning inspector who reviews our Local Plan submission. The Inspector will have access to each representation received – and this will include any representations asking that Andover Road be re-opened as a requirement for the approval of the Sir John Moore Barracks redevelopment. The decision as to whether to review this issue will legally be a matter for them.”