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**RESPONSES OF BARTON WILLMORE (ON BEHALF OF RADLEY COLLEGE) TO MATTER 9:
DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT POLICIES**

1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This statement is submitted to the Examination into the Vale of White Horse District Local Plan 2031: Part 2 on behalf of Radley College (hereafter referred to as 'our client').
- 1.2 This brief statement responds to question 9.1 posed under 'Matter 9: Development Management Policies', (specifically, Development Management Policies 1 and 8) as identified by the Inspector in his List of Matters and Questions.

MATTER 9: DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT POLICIES

9.1 Are the development management policies in the plan positively prepared, justified, effective and consistent with national policy?

Building healthy and sustainable communities

1 Self and custom build

Yes. This policy is considered positively prepared, justified, effective and consistent with national policy. Planning Practice Guidance (PPG) requires relevant authorities to consider how they can best support self-build and custom housebuilding in their area, which could include developing policies in their Local Plan for self-build and custom housing. The approach taken within Development Policy 1 is aligned with the requirements of the PPG. No further comments.

8 Community services and facilities

Yes. This policy is considered positively prepared, justified, effective and consistent with national policy. NPPF paragraph 70 requires that to deliver the social, recreational and cultural facilities and services the community needs, planning policies and decisions should plan positively for the provision and use of shared space, community facilities and other local services to enhance the sustainability of communities and residential communities; guard against the unnecessary loss of valued facilities and services; ensure that established shops, facilities and services are able to develop and modernise in a way that is sustainable and retained for the benefit of the community and ensure an integrated approach to considering the location of housing, economic uses and community facilities and services.

Development Policy 8 is considered to comply with the requirements of national policy and is considered to comply with the relevant tests of soundness. No further comments.