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Dear Sir

**Response to New Local Plan Part 1 consultation on behalf of the Farrar, Manning and Henry Families**

The draft Local Plan 2031: Part 1 identifies Wotton as a 'Larger Village' in the Settlement Hierarchy. This is appropriate and reflects the range of services and facilities that the village benefits from and that make Wotton an inherently sustainable location for new residential development.

The Vale of White Horse Green Belt Review: Phase 3 identifies three potential locations for non-strategic review of the Green Belt boundary at Wootton, these being sites 9, 10 and 23. The review of the Green Belt boundary via the preparation of the Local Plan Part 1 is procedurally sound, being in accordance with the guidance provided by the National Planning Policy Framework and National Planning Policy Guidance.

Site 9 is in the ownership of the Farrar, Manning and Henry families, who have entered into a collaboration agreement in relation to the promotion of the land for development. The site is therefore available and deliverable for development. It is not subject to any known constraints that would prevent its development with housing.

Site 9 is well related to the services and facilities available in the centre of Wotton Village. It is well contained by existing landscape features and its development with housing would not therefore have any material impact on the openness or purposes of the Green Belt. As such, it is right that the Green Belt Review Phase 3 has identified Site 9 as a suitable location for the amendment of the Green Belt boundary at Wootton. Compared with Sites 10 and 23 Site 9 is the preferable location for Green Belt review at Wootton.

Given the sustainable location of Site 9 within the village and the absence of harm that would be caused to the Green Belt, its removal from the Green Belt should be confirmed via the adoption of the Local Plan Part 1. That having been done, Site 9 should be allocated for residential development through the preparation of the Local Plan Part 2.

I would be grateful if you could confirm receipt of this representation and keep me informed of the progress of the next stages of preparation of the Local Plan Part 1.

Yours faithfully

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