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Greater Norwich Projects Team c/o Norfolk County Council County Hall Martineau Lane Norwich NR1 2DH

Dear Sir/Madam,

## GREATER NORWICH LOCAL PLAN REGULATION 18 CONSULTATION RESPONSE: UNIVERSITY OF EAST ANGLIA

Bidwells have been appointed by the University of East Anglia (UEA) to submit Representations in connection with the Greater Norwich Local Plan (GNLP) Regulation 18 Consultation.

The Representations contained within this Report promote a suite of sites across the UEA campus and the wider Norwich Research Park (NRP). Most of these sites have been previously submitted as part of the Call for Sites consultation in 2016. Subsequently, the sites have received preliminary suitability assessments within the Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment (HELAA), released as part of the Regulation 18 consultation. The Representations endeavour to address any potential constraints identified in the HELAA assessment for each of these sites, to demonstrate their deliverability.

Representations for two new sites, which were not submitted as part of the earlier Call for Sites process, are also included within this Report. The deliverability of these sites is ascertained and demonstrated within the Report.

The sites promoted within this Report encapsulate a variety of uses, but the majority are focussed around UEA related development (e.g. teaching, research, accommodation, general infrastructure, ancillary uses), along with some being promoted for modest residential development, and the expansion of the local knowledge-based industry around the NRP. All site Representations include a red line plan within the Report, alongside a plan that displays all sites submitted across the UEA Campus and the wider NRP, which fall within UEA control. The sites submitted are as follows:

## **Previously Submitted Sites:**

- GNLP0133-A University Drive North;
- GNLP0133-B University Drive West Undeveloped part of the Earlham Hall allocation;
- GNLP0133-C Cow Drive North;
- GNLP0133-D South of Suffolk Walk;
- GNLP0133-E Strawberry Fields;

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- GNLP0133-F Bluebell Road;
- GNLP0140-A Colney Lane Clubhouse/Pavilion / GNLP0140-B- Colney Lane Car Park Extension;
- GNLP0140-C Triangle Site; and
- GNLP0244 Land at Colney Lane (plantation and observatory site/grounds maintenance).

## New Sites Submitted:

- Congregation Hall; and
- Land adjoining the Sainsbury Centre.

Alongside the Representations in support of each of these sites, the Report contains the UEA's responses to relevant consultation questions within the GNLP Regulation 18 Consultation Document.

The Report includes a detailed response to Questions 34 and 35. This response endeavours to advocate the allocation of a sustainable transport link between the UEA main Campus and Colney Lane.

We trust that the Representations will assist the Greater Norwich Local Plan team in progressing its Local Plan review towards the Preferred Options stage, the consultation for which we currently understand is likely to commence in Summer 2019.

As indicated within these Representations, the UEA and Bidwells are both keen to engage with the Greater Norwich Local Plan team to meet the challenges of growth, and look forward to discussing matters, relating to the UEA, further in due course.

I would be grateful if you would acknowledge receipt of these representations.

Should you have any questions at this stage then please contact me.

Yours faithfully

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Enclosures