Dear Sirs

Thank you for notifying us of the publication of the Draft Mole Valley Local Plan (Proposed Submission Version – Regulation 19 consultation). Members of the Horley Town Council (HTC) Planning and Development Committee discussed the proposed plan at our meeting on 21st September 2021.

Whilst it was noted that the overall housing target across the plan area has been reduced, the proposed housing on the site allocations located in Hookwood have increased from 490 to 563 (a 14% increase), in large part due to the inclusion of an additional site allocation (Policy DS42: Land at Povey Cross Farm, Hookwood).

As such Horley Town Council remain gravely concerned about the impact of these proposed site allocations (now referred to as DS41, DS42, DS43 & DS44) on local infrastructure (including education, health, transport, flooding & water capacity) in Horley and consider that the comments made to the previous consultation (attached herewith) still remain applicable.

Based on the Statement of Common Ground with the surrounding authorities, HTC would question whether such cross-boundary strategic infrastructure matters have been adequately addressed for the plan period to enable the plan to be found “sound”.

Kind regards