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Subject: Re: Planning Application Consultation Request O/25/99506

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To
Liz Harrison
EASTLEIGH BOROUGH COUNCIL,

RE Planning Application Number O/25/99506 – Navigator Quarter, Eastleigh, SO18 2NL

Thank you for your Council's email of 19 February 2026 (below) consulting the Eastleigh Ramblers again on the above planning application in relation to the additional material that has been added. We have already responded on 23 October 2025 and this communication should be read in conjunction with it.

We have read the planning and design addendum of February 2026. In the section 3.1 to 3.13 which replies in part to what we have commented we do not see any commitment to use non-reflective dark green materials on the elevations visible from the Itchen Valley. It is essential that the buildings merge in to the background of the landscaping belt in front of them if the impact on distant views is not to be adversely affected. We request that this matter is dealt with by a specific rather than generic condition tailored to this issue.

In paragraph 3.44 there are statements ruling out the use of the former Itchen Navigation towpath as a commuter route. We wish to make it clear that we would be opposed to any attempt to change the route into anything other than a rural path in the countryside. The towpath was originally built to a narrow width and is only suitable for pedestrian traffic and any attempt to redesign it to make it suitable for equestrians or cyclists or commuters would destroy the historical setting of the route and affect the remains of the locks. In addition to its role as a long distance path it is also a means by which the residents of Bishopstoke and Southampton can escape into the countryside and that must remain its role.

Regards

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On Thursday, 19 February 2026 at 16:24:08 GMT, Planning (Eastleigh Borough Council) <planning@eastleigh.gov.uk> wrote:

Application No: O/25/99506

Address: Navigator Quarter, Eastleigh, SO18 2NL

Description: Hybrid Planning Application - Outline application for development of the land adjacent to Southampton Airport to provide employment floorspace of up to 92,000 sqm (GIA) within Use Classes E(g) (ii & iii), B2 and B8 with ancillary offices and areas for service yards, car parking, landscaping, ancillary buildings and associated activities, and access from Wide Lane (all matters reserved except for

access). Full planning application for initial infrastructure works and construction of new access road including site levelling and other engineering works. This application is subject to an Environmental Impact Assessment and is accompanied by an Environmental Statement.

Would you please let me have your observations on the amended/additional information submitted in relation to the above application.

You can access the plans and documents via our portal [O/25/99506](#)

In order to meet the Government's challenging targets for our speed of determining applications, we require any comments you wish to make within 21 days from the date of this memo. Failure to meet this time period will usually result in an application being determined without your comments being considered.

Please reply to the planning officer on the below email address.

Planning Specialist Contact Details

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Kind regards

