

# Shropshire Local Plan 2016- 2038 Stage 2 Hearing Statement

## Matter 25 – Five Year Housing Land Supply

### Land at Clive Barracks

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Infrastructure Organisation

## Project Title

Land at Clive Barracks, Tern Hill, Shropshire

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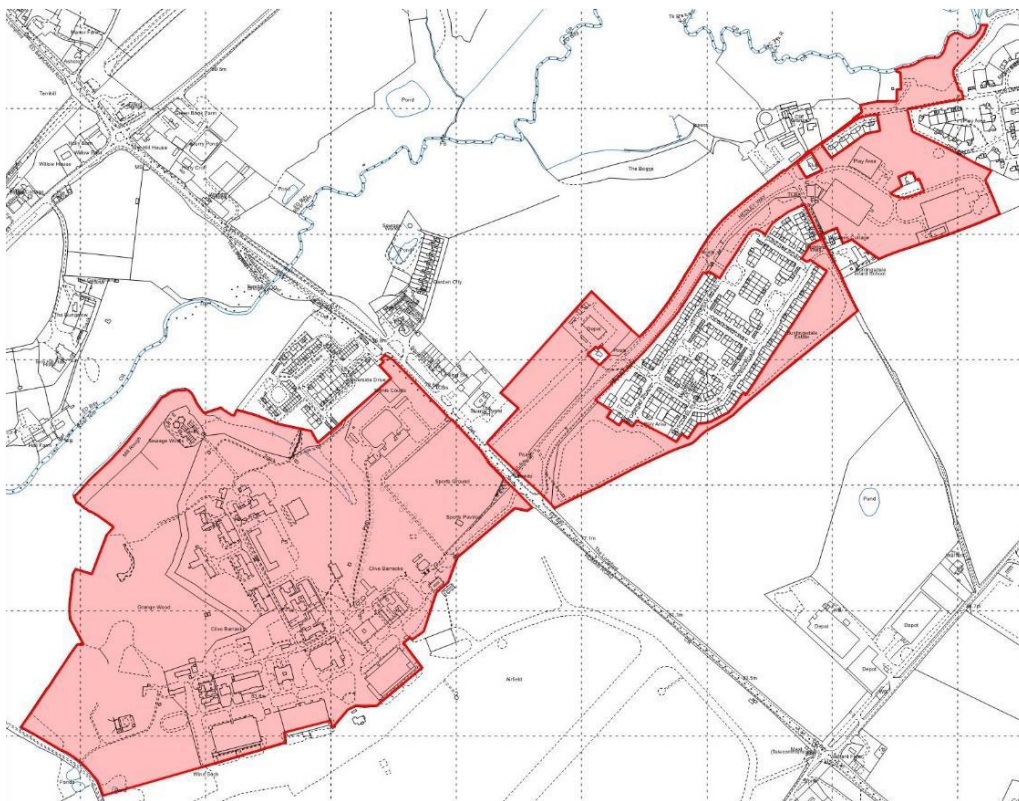
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# 1. Introduction

- 1.1 These representations have been prepared by Fisher German on behalf of the Defence Infrastructure Organisation (DIO) in respect of Ministry of Defence land at Clive Barracks, Tern Hill, as illustrated at Figure 1 below.
- 1.2 Clive Barracks is a proposed Strategic Settlement allocation within the emerging Local Plan under Policy S19.



*Figure 1: Land at Clive Barracks, Tern Hill*

- 1.3 The proposed allocation is supported, and the DIO remain fully committed to the delivery of housing, employment and ancillary services and facilities at Clive Barracks and recognise the role of the site in the delivery of this during the Local Plan Review plan period and beyond. The DIO and Shropshire Council have prepared and submitted to this Examination a number of Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) to reflect the most up to date position in respect of the site and to aid the Examination of the Plan. The SoCG comprise the initial SoCG (May 2022) (SoCG04), an Addendum (June 2023) (SoCG04a) and the most recent SoCG (August 2024).

## 2. MIQs

### Whether the Council will have a 5 year supply of deliverable housing land on adoption of the Plan.

5) Is it necessary to have a review mechanism in the Plan to consider progress against these, and other sites, and to identify any appropriate steps to increase supply if required?

- 2.1 In accordance with our comments in relation to Matter 1, the DIO would support a review mechanism. As detailed in the Matter 1 Statement, a review may be required as a result of transitional arrangements associated with any future update to the NPPF, or to respond to the Plan falling short of demonstrating a 15-year Plan period. In both instances an immediate review would be triggered.
- 2.2 If either of these measures are introduced, either by this Examination or by changes to National Policy, then clearly there is no requirement for a review policy linked to 5-year housing land supply. If neither measure is introduced, we have no objection to the inclusion of such a policy intervention to ensure integrity of supply, not least because the current NPPF (2023) paragraph 76, which will be applicable once the Plan is adopted, absolves the need for Local Planning Authorities to demonstrate a housing land supply for a period of 5-years post adoption. Thus, a review mechanism intrinsically linked to the development plan itself will provide contingency and an opportunity to immediately remedy any supply issue within that first 5 year period.