Hello,

I have reviewed your draft local plan and just wanted to make one observation. When you talk about removing parking restrictions you need to be clearer given that on-street parking enforcement is now the responsibility of Hampshire County Council under my parking team.

Can I please request that the Local Plan recognises that TVBC is only responsible for off-street parking and that all on-street parking in Test Valley is the responsibility of Hampshire County Council. I feel it is important to make it clear that from the 1/4/2020 Hampshire County Council took back the on-street parking and TM agency agreement.

For example:

3.15 The Refined Issues and Options consultation in 2020 addressed the matter of town centres and their ability to adapt and be attractive, vibrant, and prosperous places as one of Council's Corporate Plan priorities. The key issues regarding town centres included: • the need to incentivise consumers back into town centres to make them competitive against online retailers; suggestions included removing parking restrictions, improving the design and facilities throughout town centres and providing grants and relaxing certain restrictions to encourage a new variety of businesses into these centres, including cafés, restaurants and bars in order to create a relaxed café culture

If you are referring to car park restrictions being lifted then please add wording that make the delineation clear between on and off street parking enforcement.

Kind regards

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