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Your ref: 6/2021/0181/MAJ
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Dear Ms Clare Howe

Location: Former Shredded Wheat Factory Broadwater Road
Welwyn Garden City AL7 1RR

Proposal: Hybrid planning application comprising: Detailed Planning Application for 399 Private Rented Sector (PRS) dwellings and 153 dwellings (Class C3), 250 units of residential care accommodation for the elderly (Use Class C2) with associated communal facilities, 15,247m2 of community and commercial hub (Use Classes E and F1) with associated cycling hub, car parking, access, landscaping, public art and other supporting infrastructure; and Outline Planning Application for up to 418 dwellings (Class C3) with all matters reserved except access.

Application Number: 6/2021/0181/MAJ

I am writing in response to the above planning application insofar as it raises issues in connection with waste matters. Should the Borough Council be minded to permit this application, a number of detailed matters should be given careful consideration.

It is understood that the main demolition phase at the site has already been completed and therefore the Waste Planning Authority's comments relate to the waste arisings which will come from the construction phase.

The Environmental Statement concludes that a relative assessment of the potential waste quantities (coming from the construction phase) estimates there to be mainly small (tens of tonnes) to moderate (thousands of tonnes) quantities of waste generated (paragraph 18.118).

As the Borough Council is aware, the Hertfordshire Waste Local Plan is under review. The Capacity Gap Report produced to support the Waste Local Plan review, identifies

Construction, Demolition and Excavation waste to be the most significant capacity gap for Hertfordshire and therefore every effort must be made to reuse and recycle as much of this waste as possible.

There are many documents which provide advice on the re-use of materials on construction sites. Please follow the link below to find an example of a guidance document:

<http://www.resourceefficientscotland.com/sites/default/files/Maximising%20Re-use%20of%20materials%20on-site.pdf>

The Environmental Statement also concludes that the Principal Contractor's Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) will detail the practical execution of the construction works and will also include a Site Waste Management Plan (SWMP).

The Waste Planning Authority supports the commitment to preparing a SWMP and would be happy to assess any SWMP that is submitted as part of this development either at this stage or as a requirement by condition and provide comment to the Borough Council.

Good practice templates for producing SWMPs can be found at:

<http://www.smartwaste.co.uk/> or <http://www.wrap.org.uk/category/sector/waste-management>.

The other Waste Local Plan policies that relate to this proposal are set out below:

Policy 1: Strategy for the Provision for Waste Management Facilities. This is in regards to the penultimate paragraph of the policy &

Policy 2: Waste Prevention and Reduction

In determining the planning application, the Borough Council is urged to pay due regard to these policies and ensure their objectives are met. Many of the policy requirements can be met through the imposition of planning conditions.

Yours sincerely,
Emma Chapman



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