

**Cheshire East Local Plan Site Allocations and Development
Policies Document Examination**

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By email via the Programme Officer

Dear Mr. Owens,

**Examination of Cheshire East Local Plan Site Allocations and
Development Policies Document (SADPD) – Sports Mitigation
Strategy for Poynton**

I refer to your letter of 23 August 2021 and the accompanying Sports Mitigation Strategy for Poynton.

The SADPD's proposed housing allocations for Poynton and the deliverability of replacement sports facilities on Green Belt land to compensate for the loss of playing fields, is an issue on which I have questions for further discussion at the Hearing. I had noted from the Consultation Statement [ED56a] that the Council was in discussion with Sport England about this.

The Sports Mitigation Strategy provides further information on this issue and I agree it is important that interested parties who have made representations about the sites in Poynton, should have time to consider the report and be able to respond in advance of the Hearing. Therefore, I am willing to accept the document as further evidence at this stage.

I will include this in my Matters, Issues and Questions (MIQs), which will form the basis for discussion at the Hearing and will be published shortly. Accordingly, any party who wishes to respond to the strategy, should do so in writing in response to my MIQs, rather than responding now.

Please would the Council add the Sports Mitigation Strategy to the Examination library, together with your covering letter and also this reply. An item should also be added to the Latest news and updates page for information.

Yours sincerely,

Mike Hayden

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