WILTSHIRE CORE STRATEGY

EXAMINATION IN PUBLIC

STATEMENT OF COMMON GROUND

as agreed between

Wiltshire Council

and

South Somerset District Council

concerning

the relationship of the South Somerset Local Plan and the Wiltshire Core Strategy

1. This Statement of Common Ground is provided in respect of the relationship of the emerging South Somerset Local Plan and the emerging Wiltshire Core Strategy. This statement is structured to provide the Inspector with a summary of the areas of agreement.

Housing requirements

2. There is no significant cross-boundary relationship in terms of housing requirements between the two authorities, with little cross border commuting and so paragraphs 178 to 181 of the NPPF are not engaged for this issue.

Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB)

3. The policy approach to development that impinges on the Cranborne Chase and West Wiltshire Downs AONB is broadly consistent in the adopted/emerging development plan of each authority. Through decision making, the local authorities will continue to cooperate on cross-boundary issues which might potentially impact upon the landscape through the Cranborne Chase and West Wiltshire Downs Partnership.

Conclusion

4. South Somerset District Council and Wiltshire Council have fully discharged the duty to co-operate.

Signed on behalf of Wiltshire Council			
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