

ADDENDUM

Comments from EEDA which should have been included in the Consultation Report.

Question 3

Maylands Gateway

EEDA believe that for this site to be successful in meeting the vision as set out, it is essential that the high technology employment use previously covered by Spencer Park is now allocated to this site. It is important to ensure that this reallocation retains its special designation for high quality research and development activity.

Question 5

The Engine Room

EEDA will continue to work closely with the Council in the delivery of the innovation centre and incubation units as part of the overall development of Maylands. There are opportunities for this location to house key services such as business link which would align well with the skills agenda of your Core Strategy.

Question 6

Employment Land Expansion

This is obviously a key issue as this land falls outside Dacorum in the St Albans district. Any future policy will need to be flexible.

Question 14

Transport Strategy

The Transport Strategy should be implemented in consultation with local businesses to ensure that there is no detriment to the local economy. We cannot comment at this stage on the best location for a Park and Ride: however proximity to the motorway would appear to have considerable advantages over other sites that are more remote.

Question 22

Green Energy Centre

EEDA supports the concept of the Green Energy Centre. However, the proposed location is on land that is provisionally set aside. The Council should ensure that this does not undermine the delivery of the CHP plant and possible wind energy development, because this could compromise the overall vision.