

Summary of Consultation Responses

Item 3

Appendix B

* Please note consultation feedback is included word for word as provided by consultee

	Consultation Feedback	WCC E&L Comment/Response
1.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The findings of the 2014, 2015 and 2016 Secondary School strategy for the North of Rugby has differed across each document. The Education team do not appear competent to plan for school places to address the critical imbalance on Ruggys Secondary Schools. 2. Why has there been three versions of this document in three years my understanding is that it should cover a five year period? 3. Why have WCC failed to activate the School Site Call Notice procedure to build a school on the Rugby Radio Masts Site until 2022. As the only site with a planning permission to build a secondary school in Rugby this should be the first site selected to meet ruggys urgen need for Secondary School places in a sustainable way. The AMst site can cover urgen need whilst a new site is found ion the north. it will ensure a school is up and running on the mast site to meet the needs of its new communy immediately and would avoid unnecesary building on greenfield land elsewhere in the borough. 4. The future needs for school places can be addressed by two additional schools in the north of the borough and a new school on the South West Rugby UE site. 	<p>Although the Sufficiency Strategy covers a five year period, pupil forecasts are amended continuously to reflect local changes, such as to include pupils from housing developments as and when they are approved. They are also amended to reflect parental preference and in-year movement.</p> <p>The Local Authority is required to update and consult on the strategy annually.</p> <p>The sufficiency strategy outlines the need for Rugby Free Secondary School in South Rugby planning area and the new Free School Sponsored by Ashlawn School from September 2019, preferably in the Rugby North planning area. The opening of both Rugby Free Secondary School and the newly approved Free School which Ashlawn School will sponsor ensure the forecast shortfall of secondary school places is met across the Borough. (Forecasts include permitted developments only).</p> <p>In addition to this, as a result of housing developments outlined in the draft local plan, a further two secondary schools will be required on Houlton and South West Rugby.</p> <p>The secondary school on the Houlton development site is required to mitigate the need for school places required as a result of families moving in to the housing on the</p>

		<p>development. As there are no houses on this development yet there is not a need for the school places. This is to ensure compliance with Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Regulation 122, which specifically states any obligations must be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) necessary to make the development acceptable in planning terms; (b) directly related to the development; and (c) fairly and reasonably related in scale and kind to the development <p>In addition to this, access to the school site on Houlton development is not yet available. The school on the Houlton development site is required in addition to Rugby Free School and another new school, preferably in the North of Rugby.</p>
2.	<p>With regard to the above please can you advise why is WCC not immediately activating the School Site Call Notice procedure (contained in the section 106 agreement) for the Mast Site instead of waiting until 2022 for a secondary school to be built there?</p>	<p>As above.</p>
3.	<p>Can you please advise why you are proposing to develop the above site when the need for places is on the far side of town. Also why is WCC not immediately activating the School Site Call Notice (contained in the section 106 agreement) for the Mast Site instead of waiting until 2022 for a secondary school to be built there? Would appreciate your reply.</p>	<p>The Education Funding Agency is proposing to develop the mentioned site for Rugby Free Secondary school which is supported by WCC Education and Learning. This school is in the South Rugby Planning area which is well placed to serve existing and forecast secondary need in Rugby due to large primary cohorts as a result of previous primary school expansions.</p> <p>The sufficiency strategy outlines the need for Rugby Free Secondary School in South Rugby planning area and the new Free School Sponsored by Ashlawn School from September 2019, preferably in the Rugby North planning area. The opening of both Rugby Free Secondary School</p>

		<p>and the newly approved Free School which Ashlawn School will sponsor ensure the forecast shortfall of secondary school places is met across the Borough. (Forecasts include permitted developments only).</p> <p>In addition to this, as a result of housing developments outlined in the draft local plan, a further two secondary schools will be required on Houlton and South West Rugby.</p> <p>The secondary school on the Houlton development site is required to mitigate the need for school places required as a result of families moving in to the housing on the development. As there are no houses on this development yet there is not a need for the school places. This is to ensure compliance with Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Regulation 122, which specifically states any obligations must be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) necessary to make the development acceptable in planning terms; (b) directly related to the development; and (c) fairly and reasonably related in scale and kind to the development <p>In addition to this, access to the school site on Houlton development is not yet available. The school on the Houlton development site is required in addition to Rugby Free School and another new school, preferably in the North of Rugby.</p>
4.	<p>Would you please tell me why WCC is not immediately activating the School Site Call Notice procedure (contained in the section 106 agreement) for the Mast Site instead of waiting until 2022 for a secondary school to be built there?.</p>	<p>As above.</p>

5.	<p>My daughter is due to start secondary school in 2018 and I'm increasingly concerned by the schools planning.</p> <p>I believe that the RFSS has been misplaced and will fill their temporary site forcing the councils hand. I also believe they won't have planning permission in time to provide the next years children.</p> <p>Why is WCC not immediately activating the School Site Call Notice procedure (contained in the section 106 agreement) for the Mast Site instead of waiting until 2022 for a secondary school to be built there.</p>	As above.
6.	<p>As an interested party likely to be deprived of amenities, and face traffic and related problems due to the building of the new free school in Rokeby, I write to ask:</p> <p>Why is Warwickshire County Council not proceeding already with building a school on the mast site, which I understand it can do by activating the School Site Call Notice procedure (contained in the section 106 agreement).</p>	As above.
7.	<p>I write to ask why WCC is not immediately activating the School Site Call Notice procedure (contained in the section 106 agreement) for the Mast Site instead of waiting until 2022 for a secondary school to be built there?</p>	As above.
8.	<p>I am concerned and interested to know why WCC is not activating immediately the School Call Notice procedure (contained in the section106 Agreement) for the Mast Site instead of waiting until 2022 for a Secondary School to be built there ?</p>	As above.
9.	<p>Why is WCC not immediately activating the School Site Call Notice procedure (contained in the section 106 agreement) for the Mast Site instead of waiting until 2022 for a secondary school to be built there?</p>	As above.
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10.	I have objections to a Free School being built on the Rokeby Fields as I believe the schools are needed on the North side of Rugby and want to know why is WCC not immediately activating the School Site Call Notice procedure (contained in the section 106 agreement) for the Mast Site instead of waiting until 2022 for a secondary school to be built there? To me it makes far more sense to build a school there now.	
11.	Why is WCC not immediately activating the School Site Call Notice procedure (contained in the section 106 agreement) for the Mast Site instead of waiting until 2022 for a secondary school to be built there? Is this because you are attempting to force the urgency for a school to be built on Rokeby Playing Field?	As above.
12.	<p>I have had a look at the above Education and Learning Sufficiency strategy and I want to ask why WCC and the EFA are still persisting in their attempt to ram through a proposal to build a monster school on the Rokeby playing fields against the majority wishes of Hillside and Rokeby residents? What is being planned is no less than an unkind act that will lead to discomfort, unhappiness and conflict brought about by a huge increase in traffic volumes, inconsiderate parking and huge footfall to our quiet residential area. Nothing can be done to mitigate the inconvenience brought by traffic and parking issues nor about potential traffic pollution and light pollution from a sports hall, a contorted site entrance nor, for goodness' sake an industrial scale sewage pumping station! Heaven Forbid.</p> <p>We have precious little green space in our locality which is even used by folks outside of our area (I've met some of them). We face the prospect of our green space being snatched from us. There is precious little green space in our part of Rugby and yet WCC is planning to build on it a school that is too big for the site.</p> <p>WCC and EFA must be under tremendous pressure to build the Rugby free school ANYWHERE as the time ticks by. Our green space represents ANYWHERE. It may be "free" and "available" but it is still ANYWHERE. There is nowhere certain for pupils to go who are still being educated and recruited for the temporary free school in Anderson Avenue. So ANYWHERE it has to be. This is not a problem of our making. Some people in WCC have made some</p>	As above.

<p>planning omissions and we in this part of Rugby have been selected to pay for this error. No wonder WCC tried to get this under the radar in early 2016.</p> <p>The above E&LS strategy has a section which is the “Warwickshire Home to School Transport Policy” and this states that WCC aims (and I quote) “to provide local places for local children reducing the need to access home to school transport services” I guess this must include private cars. As the proposed siting of the school is ANYWHERE and has no natural catchment area, the proposers have engineered a demand that comes from the far reaches of North, East and West Rugby and Northamptonshire where a school is closing because of lack of demand. So the proposed siting of this school goes against Warwickshire’s own transport policy. How ridiculous and plain wrong is that? The site may be free and available but it’s in the wrong place. You know that, I know that, and Hillside and Rokeby residents know that. And yet...You still persist in trying to impose this unwanted development on us. We just don’t want it! Please go away.</p> <p>How can we get an impartial assessment from County Hall when the proposers of this development are part of the same team who are considering the planning application. How fair and objective is that? If WCC allow this proposal to go ahead a grave mistake will have been made. Any WCC team which allows this proposal to go ahead will be aware of their responsibility for accidents on the Dunchurch Road arising from very many thousands of right turning manoeuvres, speeding along Long Furlong(it happens even now, and no, we don’t want speed humps), arguments arising from pavement and grass verge parking and blocked driveways, inaccessibility for emergency vehicles and accidents involving children in the vicinity of the proposed school. Just too little space for so much activity. It’s all horrible to think about.</p> <p>Referring to the above, I believe that there is a school site notice procedure contained in what I believe to be a section 106 agreement. It relates to the Mast site. Why can’t WCC activate this site call notice and get on and develop a school that already has outline planning permission? Why wait until 2022 when something can be done now and without hassle from the local residents? Come on, tell us!</p>	
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13.	Why is WCC not immediately activating the School Call Notice procedure (contained in the section 106 agreement) for the Mast Site instead of waiting until 2022 for a secondary school to be built there.	As above.
14.	<p>Can I enquire why WCC are not proposing to activate the School site call notice procedure and building the needed secondary school in the new neighbourhood of Houlton, currently under construction on the old mast site near Rugby, now instead of waiting until 2022?</p> <p>Houlton is where the new secondary school is needed and as I understand it planning permission has already been granted at this site. Can I also enquire if the safety of pedestrians walking to school with the anticipated increase in traffic volume at the suggested Rokeby fields site has been evaluated sufficiently? In addition, I am concerned that the roads surrounding the suggested Rokeby site will struggle to accommodate a significant increase in traffic volume.</p>	<p>As above.</p> <p>Parking and traffic issues relating to new schools / school expansions are considered as part of the planning application process.</p>
15.	<p>Having looked at the above Education and Learning Sufficiency Strategy I want to query why WCC and the EFA are still persisting in their attempt to push ahead with a proposal to build an ill-placed, large secondary school on the Rokeby playing fields. There are so many valid reasons why this site, in a residential area, is unsuitable.</p> <p>Namely:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. the site is too small for the proposed buildings 2. access to the site is extremely problematic 3. there is insufficient on-site parking for staff, visitors and parents 4. the need for the school has been manufactured with many of the temporary school's current pupils coming from outside the County or from the north of the town 5. there will be unwelcome light pollution from the proposed Sports Hall 	The issues raised will be considered as part of the planning application process.

	<p>6. there will be unhealthy air pollution levels from the increased traffic generated</p> <p>7. I also believe that an industrial sewage system will be required if the building were to go ahead</p> <p>Only this morning the Parliamentary Public Accounts Committee criticised in a damning report the Government's focus on Free Schools which are sometimes opened in areas with no shortage of pupil places. Ring any bells? As there are already five secondary schools in Rugby's southern area, and with the Harris School currently having student vacancies, there is obviously no need for an additional school on the Rokeby Playing Field (a well loved and well used public green space). There is however planning permission to build a secondary school on Rugby's former Mast Site so why is there a delay in building on this site?</p> <p>I sincerely hope that when planning permission for this building proposal is sought, common sense will prevail and the planning application will be refused. There is the example of nearby Daventry's University Technical College to remember. After a ridiculously short lifespan that school is set to close in August 2017. I am sure that members of the Planning Committee are too sensible to repeat such a costly mistake with all the resulting adverse publicity it would generate.</p>	<p>Pupil forecasts included within the sufficiency strategy outline the need for additional secondary provision within Rugby.</p>
16.	<p>Why is it that Warwickshire County Council is not immediately activating the School Site Notice procedure (contained in the section 106 agreement) for the Mast Site instead of waiting until 2022 for a secondary school to be built there?</p>	<p>As above.</p>
17.	<p>I would like to know why WCC is not immediately activating the School Site Call Notice procedure (contained in the section 106 agreement) for the Mast Site instead of waiting until 2022 for a secondary school to be built there?</p> <p>WCC seems determined to build on inappropriate sites that are to the detriment of the local community and the pupils of Rugby.</p> <p>If there is such a desperate need for another school and you have permission to</p>	<p>As above.</p>

	<p>build on the Mast Site, then a fool can deduct that is where you should start.</p> <p>You have an obligation to listen to the residents affected by your poor decisions!!!</p>	
18.	<p>I understand that a new draft School Sufficiency Strategy is currently undergoing the consultation process, and I would like to register my comments as part of that consultation process.</p> <p>At the time of writing, it must be noted that Warwickshire County Council (WCC) and the Knowledge Schools Trust (KST) continue to accept and place pupils at the temporary Rugby Free Secondary School (located in the former Rokeby Infant School building on Anderson Avenue). With currently nowhere to move these pupils, when this temporary site becomes full and/or inadequate* (*which, I would argue, it already is), it is obvious to all that WCC is trying to force the urgency for a free secondary school to be built on Rokeby Playing Field. Local residents and campaigners against this move have provided much clear evidence that this site is totally inappropriate and indeed unsafe.</p> <p>It would also appear that WCC will be allowing new residents of the supposedly self-sufficient Radio Mast Site to utilise schools outside the Rugby Mast Site, until their own secondary school, on the Rugby Mast site, is built. It is clear that once the Rugby Mast Site school is built, it will become residents' first choice for their children, because it will be 'close to home'. It is likely then, at that point, that scores of children could be taken out of the schools they have been forced to attend and moved to the Rugby Mast Site School. I predict that it is highly likely that Rugby Free School (if it is allowed to go ahead) will become a 'white elephant' – there are already five secondary schools in the south of Rugby! What will then happen to Rugby Free Secondary School? The answer is quite simply that, like several other free schools proposed and funded by the EFA, it will become drastically under-subscribed and will eventually close. A criminal waste of money and very importantly, the irretrievable loss of a valuable green space</p>	<p>As above.</p> <p>The issues raised will be considered as part of the planning application process.</p> <p>As above.</p>

	<p>The Rugby Mast Site has outline planning permission for a secondary school. I would like to know why WCC is not immediately activating the School Site Call Notice procedure (contained in the section 106 agreement) in order to build a secondary school on the Rugby Radio Masts Site NOW instead of waiting until 2022 for a secondary school to be built there?</p> <p>I would also like to know why WCC and the EFA continue to pursue the proposal to build a free secondary school despite the mounting evidence against this, not just that provided by local residents and campaign groups, but also from the Government itself. See https://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm201617/cmselect/cmpublic/961/961.pdf</p>	<p>As above.</p> <p>WCC has a duty to provide sufficient school places. It is not possible to meet the forecast demand in Rugby by expanding existing schools due to the amount of additional places that are required. Under current legislation Local Authorities are unable to open maintained schools; all new schools must be Free Schools.</p>
19.	<p>We have recently come to know that two family friends from London relocating to Rugby who have children in Yr 4 and Yr 5 of primary school may not be considering boolikng a home at Mast Site because they have not seen any signs of a secondary school coming up in this new locality. They were told previously, a secondary school was coming up there shortly.</p> <p>Why is WCC not immediately activating the School Site Call Notice procedure (contained in the section 106 agreement) for the Mast Site instead of waiting until 2022 for a secondary school to be built there? Would you kindly explain to the public?</p>	<p>As above.</p>
20.	<p>Why is WCC not immediately activating the School Site Call Notice procedure (contained in the section 106 agreement) for the Mast Site instead of waiting until 2022 for a secondary school to be built there?</p>	<p>As above.</p>
21.	<p>The draft School Sufficiency Strategy fails to demonstrate how the county council will meet its statutory duties to provide sufficient places for secondary education in Rugby and therefore should not be adopted in its current form.</p> <p>Pages 38 to 40 of the Draft School Sufficiency Strategy illustrate the failure of the current portfolio holder for Education and Learning to provide appropriate</p>	<p>The sufficiency strategy outlines the forecast pressure on places and the actions required in each area of the county.</p>

	<p>leadership to his team.</p> <p>For example page 39 states that the Radio Mast Site will need a secondary school in 2019 and yet members of the portfolio holder’s team are writing to local councillors saying that a new school on this site will not start to provide places until 2022.</p> <p>Page 39 also contains a sentence which starts in the future tense “Failure to provide additional school places in the North of Rugby will leave in a gap in pupil place sufficiency, impact on the promotion of sustainable transport and places [sic] further pressure on the school transport/transport infrastructure ...”. The school sufficiency strategy fails to reference the outcomes of the 2017 secondary school allocation process which clearly show that there is an existing gap in pupil place sufficiency with many pupils unable to gain a place in their priority area school leaving children in places such as Harborough Magna, Clifton, Newton and Coton Park with allocations in the South of Rugby and yet without allocations of school transport to travel to their allocated school. The portfolio holder’s failure is not some possible future event. It has already occurred. His failure means that local places are not being allocated to local children.</p> <p>The School Sufficiency Strategy fails to explain why the portfolio holder has not initiated the School Site Call Notice procedure for the Rugby Radio Masts site and honoured the commitment given by the county council in Rugby’s Core Strategy document to deliver a new secondary school on the Radio Masts Site by 2015. Had he done what the county council promised it would do then there would not be a secondary school shortage in the North of Rugby today.</p>	<p>As above.</p>
22.	<p>Dear sir/madam. My question refers to the school site call notice as set out in the section 106 agreement. Why have Warwickshire County Council not activated this procedure already, instead of waiting until 2022 for a secondary school to be built there? Surely it makes more than sense to build where there is already agreement before looking at alternative sites.</p>	<p>As above.</p>

23.	<p>I live on Coton Park and although my child got into Avon Valley it was only due to the sibling admission criteria.</p> <p>I am very aware that other children on the estate could not get places and were sent to Harris, RFSS or out of area to Lutterworth which is another county!</p> <p>Every child should be able to walk, or bike to school and not be forced to travel miles on a bus or expect parents to drive them, especially when they have jobs.</p> <p>Surely the school catchment boundaries seriously need reviewing e.g for those who live east of Avon Valley towards town should attend RFSS or Harris.</p> <p>North of Rugby is where the issue lies especially with the expansion of Eden Park and a further 800 houses planned on land between Coton Park and Newton, and a new development in Newton itself.</p> <p>I have a child who will require a secondary place in the future and I would expect her to be able to attend her local school.</p> <p>I am sure my views will be replicated by other concerned North Rugby residents.</p>	<p>On allocation day all pupils within Rugby were able to gain a place within the Borough, should they wish to. Some parents applied for a place out of the county as a higher preference than other Rugby schools.</p> <p>It is not always possible to allocate a school which is within walking/cycling distance to a child's home address. School priority areas do not guarantee children a place at that school but feed in to the oversubscription criteria for school allocations. Free Schools are responsible for setting their own priority areas, and as such Rugby Free Secondary School uses the whole of Rugby as the priority area.</p>
24.	<p>The evidence of children in Coton Park, Clifton and other areas that side of Rugby not being offered places.</p> <p>Rugby Free School currently on the Rokeby site should be built in the area expected along side the Free Primary school. The primary school can be the feeder school as parents expected and the shortage would be addressed as parents do not want their children travelling across town to the Free School on the temporary Rokeby site as the safety issues, the costs of bus fares and petrol costs and if cycling the danger it incurs.</p> <p>The shortage is that side of town and therefore it speaks for itself to build the free Secondary School in that area which would also help traffic issues around 8.30 and 3.30 each day.</p>	As above.

<p>25.</p>	<p>I have some concerns about the above current consultation. I have not been able to see the Draft Sufficiency Strategy 2016, but have studied the Sufficiency Strategy Presentation 2016.</p> <p>Typical of such presentations, it does however highlight some interesting points.</p> <p>It claims to plan and then deliver high quality, accessible schools. Hardly an appropriate description for the current temporary school at Rokeby. The proposal for a new school at Rokeby would be even less accessible for the majority that need it.</p> <p>It says Warwickshire County Council has a legal duty to ensure sufficient schools and places. There is already a shortage of secondary schools places for the projected population. Construction of new houses on the supposedly self-sufficient Rugby Mast Site is now under way. This is currently the only site in Rugby that has outline planning permission for a secondary school and yet that population will be expected to utilise schools outside that area.</p> <p>The presentation includes as a planning consideration, the Home to School Transport. That there should be local places for local children, sustainable transport and that transport costs should be factored in. Any proposal to make the mast site population travel to a school on the south side of the town ignores this. The route is difficult and congested. It rightly dwells on this issue and further states that local places for local children is a key strategic priority. I had to travel from opposite sides of Rugby to my secondary school and it made life miserable.</p> <p>The presentation highlights these as important issues and yet they are treated as secondary in current proposals.</p> <p>For East Warwickshire, it recognises high levels of growth and further</p>	<p>As above.</p>
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	<p>secondary school is required to meet existing demand in the town. For Central Warwickshire, also with high levels of growth, a new secondary school has been built actually on the new housing development where it is needed.</p> <p>I would therefore like to question why is WCC not immediately activating the School Site Call Notice procedure (contained in the section 106 agreement) for the Mast Site instead of waiting until 2022 for a secondary school to be built there?</p>	
26.	<p>Further to my earlier emails regarding the proposed building of schools on Rokeby Playing Fields I would like to add the following comments: why is WCC not activating the School Site Call Notice procedure (which is contained in the 106 agreement) for the Mast Site instead of waiting until 2022 when building of houses on this site has already begun?</p> <p>I acknowledge that I am very fortunate to live overlooking this open, freely accessible space but that allows me to see the huge number of people that use it which would indicate that far from being a resource to be all but destroyed it should be kept for all to freely enjoy. The amount of people it attracts would also indicate that there are too few such open spaces available to the people of Rugby.</p> <p>Surely at a time of urban expansion it is equally important to maintain open green spaces for both people and wildlife.</p>	As above.
27.	<p>I am one of the objectors to the proposed Secondary school, I have lived on Anderson Ave over twenty years so I have good knowledge of schooling in the area as my own two children attended them.</p> <p>We do not need more schools in this area we have sufficient choice, hence my objection.</p> <p>I have attended many meeting by the proposers of the school, no one has given</p>	As above.

	<p>me good reason for school to be built in this location other than financial, all other arguments are poor.</p> <p>Most children will be commuters from out of the area, outlying villages/towns and new housing estates, so this is clearly the wrong place.</p> <p>Propaganda at meetings gave no good alternative sites, made it evident that through poor forward planning, that things were very rushed and the developer was trying to railroad the project through!</p> <p>Pressure is/was being applied due to the fact school places were insufficient in the town.</p> <p>I among many raised the question as to why with all the new housing Estates that have and are being built (north and radio masts) that schools were not planned for and placed into the area they would be needed (walking distance). No good reason/answers were presented at the meetings.</p> <p>So with the above can you answer-</p> <p>Why is WCC not immediately activating the School Site Call Notice procedure (contained in the section 106 agreement) for the Mast Site instead of waiting until 2022 for a secondary school to be built there?</p> <p>This is clearly a better site and I am sure build could be rapid if pressure was applied for it to be done in advance of the housing development. I am sure having seen the deployment of temporary classrooms at Avon Valley (after the fire that ruined the school) that a school could be operational sooner than 2022.</p>	
28.	<p>I am writing as I am a parent of a child needing a secondary school place in September 2018. We live the furthest point down Crick Road that you can go we are pretty much on the new Houlton sight and I am so concerned as to where my daughter will go to school, our nearest school is ashlawn but on this years in take we are too far away from the school meaning she may be offered another</p>	As above.

	<p>school meaning we will have to drive past ashlawn or the other side of town.</p> <p>I am in regular contact with the sight at Houlton and I know they would be more than happy to build the secondary school early with the councils support, can this not be done considering the crisis which seems to be getting worse.</p>	
29.	<p>Prior to the proposed application hearing in June of planning permission for the building of two new schools on Rokeby Fields, I would like to ask why the WCC is not activating the School Site Call notice for the Mast Site instead of waiting until 2022 for a secondary school to be built on that site?</p> <p>This e-mail is further to previous ones setting out my objections to this proposed development. My address is 200 Norton Leys, Rugby, CV22 5RY.</p>	As above.
30.	<p>Why is WCC not immediately activating the School Site Call Notice procedure (contained in the section 106 agreement) for the Mast Site instead of waiting until 2022 for a secondary school to be built there? Is this because you are attempting to force the urgency for a school to be built on Rokeby Playing Field?</p>	As above.
31.	<p>I feel it necessary to contact you regarding your policy regarding the need for new secondary schools in the Rugby area . It seems very disorganised to me that given that permission has been granted for some time for a new secondary school on the old mast site in Rugby there has been no progress on this. Instead pupils have been housed indefinitely in an old dilapidated infants school whilst wcc pursues an altogether new site at Rokeby fields which has an inferior infrastructure and would in my view be considered destroying more green field sites unnecessarily.</p> <p>Why is WCC not immediately activating the School Site Call Notice procedure (contained in the section 106 agreement) for the Mast Site instead of waiting until 2022 for a secondary school to be built there?</p> <p>I would be grateful if you would take my opinions into account .</p>	As above.
32.	<p>If memory serves me correctly, prior to the free school in Brownsover being built approx 2 years ago, the last secondary school built in Rugby was in the late 60's.</p>	The sufficiency strategy outlines the forecast pressure across a 5 year period. WCC liaise with Boroughs and

	<p>Fareham High school in Hillmorton (now the site of paddox infants & primary) was closed. Paddock infants was closed to make way for a private company to open a school for children with special needs. The infants & primary schools were then merged into one site on former Fareham High school. St Mathew's infant school was closed & merged with Bloxham school to make way for new homes. I believe there are other instances of other long standing schools being closed. All of this while the council having long term (10+) years of forward town planning in housing. Houses don't happen overnight. Infrastructure for houses has not been a priority, with no obligation given to planners to submit clear & fulfillable plans to meet the needs of the communities they create. There may not be a legal need, but the councils are the only group that can grant planning permission! As far as I can see all building should be halted until the council come up with viable plans for all infrastructure that works across the board! Education, health, transport! As a growing community, how is it viable for children in Rugby to attend schools out of the town? It makes a mockery of having a catchment area for schools. We have a small hospital, with the majority of our needs being served by hospitals in bigger cities, we don't even have a dedicated maternity ward, despite in the past having a dedicated hospital, subsequently downgraded to a ward. Then downgraded to nothing! We are a growing town with needs that are not being met by the people responsible for meeting our needs, the planners! Please start planning properly for the long term & meet the needs of the communities!</p>	<p>Districts regarding their proposed/adopted local plan which covers a 15 year plan period. Education and Learning request mitigation for each development where there is forecast to be insufficient capacity in terms of education infrastructure. For example, Houlton are required to provide 1 secondary school site and 3 primary school sites. These schools will be opened in line with the developers housing trajectory in order that all schools remain viable and sustainable.</p> <p>WCC Infrastructure Team ensures all requests for mitigation across the services you mention are collated and considered as part of the planning application.</p>
33.	<p>After reviewing the possible location for new schools in the Rugby area especially given the areas in greatest need, why is WCC not immediately activating the School Site Call Notice procedure (contained in the section 106 agreement) for the Mast Site instead of waiting until 2022 for a secondary school to be built there?</p>	<p>As above.</p>
34.	<p>We write as parents of children who have gone through the system and we now take an interest in our grandchildren. We have concerns that Rugby is undergoing a major expansion over the next 15 years or so and our experience is that it is hard to foresee how plans work out. Parents schools and education policies are fickle entities!</p>	<p>As above.</p>

	<p>Given that there are problems with parental demand to the north of the town and objections of residents in the Rokeby area on traffic, access and to a school well in excess of immediate local need, we are surprised that the Mast site call notice has not been activated. Although the simple concept is of a secondary school to meet that Mast areas need, in both short and long term schools draw from a wider area in practice. If this school opens in front of demand at the the Mast site there will be gains. With the new link road from Leicester Road by passing Hillmorton and Clifton it is within 3 miles of the north of the town; some parents will vote for this.if convenient. The proposed rail station will facilitate travel as well from Rugby centre as the improved bus services to DIRFT. Such a step creates a breathing space in supply which enables a more fully considered joined up plan to evolve in the longer term. We feel a convenient "easy" solution is being chosen for the wrong reasons.</p> <p>We therefore ask "Why is WCC apparently delaying until 2022 to activate the School Site Call Notice (S 106 agreement)?"</p>	
35.	<p>We are concerned about lack of progress in planning school places for pupils in the new housing development in site at Houlton (Mast site).</p> <p>Why is WCC not immediately activating the School Site Call Notice procedure (contained in the section 106 agreement) for the Mast Site instead of waiting until 2022 for a secondary school to be built there?</p>	As above.
36.	<p>We are wondering why there is a lack of progress in planning school places for pupils in the new housing development in site at Houlton (Mast site).</p> <p>Why is WCC not immediately activating the School Site Call Notice procedure (contained in the section 106 agreement) for the Mast Site instead of waiting until 2022 for a secondary school to be built there?</p>	As above.

Summary and conclusion

All 36 comments received in response to the sufficiency strategy relate to the concern of the perceived lack of secondary school places in Rugby. However, pupil forecast demonstrate sufficient places for secondary pupils in Rugby until September 2019. The Education Funding Agency (EFA) has plans to open a new Free School in Rugby in September 2019 which will address the need for additional places. WCC is liaising with the EFA, Rugby Borough Council (RBC) and the Trust to locate a suitable site, the preferred location is in the North of Rugby.

It is also relevant to note that the sufficiency strategy consultation ran simultaneously with the submission of Rugby Free Secondary School Planning application. Many residents in the local area oppose the location as they feel that there is only a need for additional secondary school places in the North of Rugby.

The strategy has been reviewed to ensure the pressure on places in Rugby is being communicated effectively. It is emphasised in the responses to comments that both Rugby Free School and a new secondary school (proposed to open sponsored by Ashlawn School) are requested to provide sufficient secondary provision.

Two new secondary schools are also required in response to housing outlined in the draft local plan; one on Houlton site and another on South West Rugby development site.

Therefore, it is not possible to move Rugby Free Secondary School to the Houlton development, not only because this would not meet CIL Regulations 122, but also because there would not be sufficient secondary school places in Rugby as the housing is built out across the 15 year plan period.