

## **Issue 6 –North Whiteley – Policies SH3**

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- i) Are the policies and proposals for growth and change in this area appropriate and justified, including in relation to the NPPF, and in terms of environmental, economic and social impact?**
- ii) Are they clear and deliverable, including in respect of the associated infrastructure requirements? and**
- iii) Are the mitigation proposals for European designated sites appropriate and deliverable?**

1.1 The Whiteley Co-Ownership support Policy SH3 and the allocation of North Whiteley as a strategic housing site.

1.2 The Whiteley Co-Ownership note the level of retail proposed at Whiteley Town Centre is to respond to current demand, and does not cater for the additional demand that will be generated by the strategic housing allocations at North Whiteley and West of Waterlooville. It is therefore anticipated that further retail provision will be required at Whiteley Town Centre to meet future need. Such a fact is not recognised in the 2012 retail update (Retail and Town Centre Uses Study, NLP 2012) or the core strategy retail projections.

1.3 The Whiteley Co-Ownership support the current level of retail provision proposed with the new North Whiteley local centres, which recognises that Whiteley Town Centre would meet the town centre needs of the new population. This approach is consistent with the NPPF and the application of a town centre first approach to meeting retail needs.