

## **Bournemouth, Dorset & Poole Waste Plan Examination**

### **Hearing Statement on behalf of Rigby Group (Bournemouth Airport)**

#### **Matter 1: Duty to Co-operate and Legal Issues**

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#### **Duty to Co-operate**

##### **Question 7: Has there been any discussion with the Civil Aviation Authority?**

Bournemouth Airport Ltd is the Aerodrome Safeguarding Authority and therefore statutory consultee for matters affecting Bournemouth Airport. It has repeatedly raised concerns regarding the details that have been made available in respect of Inset 7 Eco Sustainable Solutions, Parley.

Circular 1/2003 Town and Country Planning (safeguarded aerodromes, technical sites and military explosives storage areas) Direction 2002 states "Incorporation of safeguarded areas into development plans. Local plans and unitary development plans should include a policy stating that officially safeguarded areas have been established for a particular airport or technical site, that certain planning applications will be the subject of consultation with the operator of that aerodrome or technical site and that there may be restrictions on the height or detailed design of buildings or on development which might create a bird hazard, as described in this Circular. The outer boundary of safeguarded areas should be indicated on proposals maps accompanying local plans and unitary development plans. A plan should state why an area has been safeguarded and that it is neither the responsibility nor the proposal of the local planning authority."

The development that the Waste Plan anticipates infringes protected surfaces and has impacts on navigational aids. We have not been shown any correspondence that DCC has had with the Civil Aviation Authority about the appropriateness of including a proposal that has not been shown capable of satisfactorily addressing aerodrome safeguarding concerns of the statutory consultee. Given the CAA's powers to instruct the First Secretary of State to call in applications that are being recommended for approval in spite of the comments of the statutory safeguarding consultee, it would seem inappropriate to allocate the site for this particular use until those concerns have been addressed.