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Dear Sir or Madam

Greater Cambridge 'Call for Sites and Broad Locations' consultation: Shire Hall, Caste Street, Cambridge

I write on behalf of our client, Cambridge County Council, in relation to the above consultation which forms part of the commencement of the Greater Cambridge Local Plan. As part of the 'Call for Site' consultation, please find attached a red line site plan. I can confirm that Cambridge County Council as landowner fully support this submission.

The site is being put forward for consideration within the Greater Cambridge Local Plan. It is located within the norther part of Cambridge, within walking distance of the City centre, with good highway connections to the A14 and M11. The immediate surrounding area to the east of the site is residential and comprises mainly terraced properties whilst Clare College is located to the south. Castle Street forms the site frontage and western boundary. The surrounding area generally comprises a mix of residential, secondary retail, office and student uses.

The property comprises five buildings, Shire Hall, The Octagon, Castle Lodge (Register Office), Old Police House and 42 Castle Street, and set within grounds of approximately 2.47 hectares. The site also includes the Castle Mound and Civil War Earthworks, both of which are Scheduled Monuments.

The site is currently being marketed by Strutt & Parker on behalf of the County Council and it is anticipated that it will come forward for development in the near future. It is considered that the site could be suitable for a number of alternative uses such as office, hotel, residential, specialist housing, student accommodation, retirement accommodation, potentially incorporating open space, retail, community/visitor facilities, as part of a comprehensive redevelopment.

Redevelopment proposals have been discussed with planning officers at the City Council who are supportive of a variety of reuses options. While no firm proposals are available at the present time, we thought it would be helpful to identify the site through the call for sites process, at the beginning of the plan making process so the Council can consider if it should be included as an allocation.





If you have any queries in relation to the above or require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely



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