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I am writing to express my support for the proposed Main Modifications to the Borough Council's Local Plan, specifically the amendments within sections MM79 (Policy AL/CA 1 – Land at Capel and Paddock Wood), MM81 (Policy STR/SS 1 – The Strategy for Paddock Wood and East Capel), MM91 (Policy STR/CA 1 – The Strategy for Capel Parish), and Proposed Map Modification PMM11 (Inset Map 7: Five Oak Green). In particular, I strongly welcome the reinforced commitment to the delivery of the new offline Colts Hill bypass, as proposed within both schedules.

The Colts Hill stretch of the A228 has long been a bottleneck with a poor safety record, and its upgrade is essential to both the existing community and the proposed growth at Paddock Wood and East Capel. By continuing to recognise the strategic importance of the Colts Hill bypass, the modifications improve the effectiveness and deliverability of the Local Plan, while addressing the longstanding road safety concerns along that part of the existing A228 corridor.