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Dear Mr Mellor

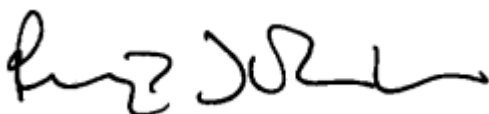
Eastbourne Employment Land Local Plan

Please accept my apologies if my original submission was less than clear and thank you for giving me this opportunity to clarify matters.

The comments I originally submitted were based on feedback from a number of companies and reflected frustration with their difficulties in finding a well-connected, town centre location at the time. Since then, it is clear that with increasing occupancy levels and improved broadband connectivity, Pacific House is now being viewed much more favourably as a potential location. Indeed, Locate East Sussex has assisted one company to move to Pacific House and has been in discussion with a number of other companies about the possibilities this development offers. We continue to liaise closely with Seachange and its agents and look forward to Sovereign Harbour's continuing development

Indeed, rather than viewing the plan as not 'sound', Locate East Sussex strongly supports the plan. It is our view that the development of commercial property that will provide a high quality business destination for local companies looking to expand as well as those looking to move in to the town is critical to the future growth and prosperity of Eastbourne.

Yours sincerely



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