

15<sup>th</sup> December 2011

Dear Ms Benton,

**Matter 1**

**Eastbourne and Hailsham Triangle Economic Blueprint (E&HTEB)**

ESCC, WDC, EBC and SEEDA have jointly commissioned consultants GVA Grimley to advise on how best to achieve a “step change” in economic performance to underpin regeneration.

on the websites <http://www.eastbourne.gov.uk/environment/planning/policy/local-development-framework/core-strategy/evidence-docs/ehtriangle-economic-blueprint/>

**Extracted from E&HTEB website in the report page 1**

*“The pursuit of Scenario One will not see change overnight. The three scenarios above have all been set out for consideration by local and regional stakeholders. No final decisions have been made. Discussions regarding the preferred spatial strategy will continue through LDF Core Strategy planning processes and public consultation carried out by Eastbourne Borough and Wealden District Councils.”*

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*“This note summarises the consultants’ advice on the economic sectors most likely to deliver real, local change and the spatial development scenarios most likely to support such change. This advice will form part of the evidence base for the Local Development Frameworks (LDFs) for Eastbourne Borough and Wealden District and will be considered alongside other evidence for testing through the LDFs, public consultation, strategic environmental assessment or Sustainability Appraisal.”*

It seems WDC ignored the consultants’ advice on the economic sectors and have not considered pursuing the Scenario One?

**The Core Strategy has No plan for improvement to Polegate High Street and local retail shopping areas? It failed to sustain and strengthen the local economy.**

Yours sincerely,

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Wealden District Councillor  
East Sussex County Councillor  
Polegate Town Councillor  
Willingdon & Jevington Parish Councillor