## Amendments to 'Strategic Approach' section under 4.3 Spatial Strategy

## **Proposed change:**

Combine together the bullets on Town/District Centres and Residential Neighbourhoods into a new 'Suburban Neighbourhoods' bullet as follows (to be positioned after the bullets on the City Centre and the Port, Employment Sites and Areas):

## **Suburban Neighbourhoods**

Outside the city centre approximately 6,400 new homes will be dispersed through the residential neighbourhoods. Smaller scale offices, retail, leisure and other facilities and services for residents will be supported and enhanced in Shirley town centre and the designated district centres. Local services and shops will generally be directed to the local centres, whilst individual shops and local services such as doctors, schools and community centres will be encouraged throughout the neighbourhoods. The Council's Estates Regeneration Programme will also provide additional homes in safe, attractive neighbourhoods, by redesigning parts of some Council-owned housing estates. The Building Schools for the Future Programme and the two new Oasis Academies will also contribute to sustained investment in these neighbourhoods.

The spatial strategy divides the city (outside the city centre) into five broad areas, along ward boundaries, with each containing a number of wards and suburban areas. Maps 2 and 3 show the boundary of these broad areas and key features associated with them.

The planned approach in each of these five suburban areas is summarised below:

- Central Incorporating Bargate, Bevois and Freemantle. This area sits adjacent to the city centre and includes industrial wharves facing onto the River Itchen and the operational port land to the south at Southampton Docks. An additional 1600 homes will be provided in the Central area. These include the mixed use scheme at the New College site on the Avenue (under construction), the development of the mixed use, riverside site at Meridian/Drivers Wharf and the residential Wickes site. The New College scheme also includes significant new commercial office space.
- North Incorporating Portswood, Swaythling and Bassett. This
  area incorporates the Portswood District Centre, the mature suburbs
  forming the northern fringe of the city and the main campus of the
  University of Southampton. Around 650 new homes will be provided in
  the North area. The major employment site of Fords will be
  safeguarded for employment use. The redevelopment of the bus depot
  provides an opportunity to enhance the range of facilities at Portswood

District Centre. At the University, the planned Maritime Centre of Excellence is being developed with Lloyds Register to become a centre for innovation, research and education in maritime disciplines and engineering.

- South Incorporating Woolston, Peartree and Sholing. This major residential area to the east of the River Itchen is served by the Woolston District Centre (as well as by Bitterne District Centre). The area contains a number of riverside marine employment sites, some of which will provide a focus for redevelopment and regeneration over the plan period. In all, this area will provide some 2,050 new homes, mostly within the major mixed use development on the Woolston riverside. This scheme (Centenary Quay) will transform this section of Southampton's waterfront, creating a rich mix of places with a new civic square, public gardens and a riverside walk. The plans for Centenary Quay include around 1400 new jobs, incorporating new marine employment, more than 1600 new homes, a hotel, offices, a supermarket and a range of community facilities.
- East Incorporating Bitterne, Bitterne Park and Harefield. This residential area forms the north eastern portion of the city, lying to the east of the River Itchen. It contains the Bitterne District Centre. Around 600 new homes are planned for this area. The Estate Regeneration Programme will have a direct impact on this locality (particularly in Thornhill), as well as the redevelopment of the Eastpoint Centre and a new campus for the Oasis Academy at Mayfield. The area will also benefit from investments to improve the eastern access to the city centre, providing improved connections to the planned Strategic Development Area at Hedge End (outside of the city).
- West Incorporating Shirley, Millbrook, Redbridge and Coxford. This area includes extensive residential neighbourhoods, most of the port of Southampton and three major hospitals (Southampton General, Princess Anne and Western Community Hospitals). The West area is served by Shirley Town Centre and, to the north, the Lordshill District Centre. An additional 1,500 homes are planned in the West area, partly through a major housing development on the Ordnance Survey site. A masterplan is to be prepared for potential redevelopment and regeneration in the Lordshill area (including the current Oaklands school site). A major new school campus, with a range of associated facilities, is planned for the Oasis Academy at Lordshill. This area will also benefit from the city's Estates Regeneration Programme, with major public housing estates at Millbrook and Redbridge. There will be sustained investment by the Southampton University Hospitals Trust in the further development of the regional and local heath facilities at the Southampton General Hospital/Princess Anne Hospital campus.