

**ISLAND PLANNING STRATEGY EXAMINATION**

**STATEMENT OF COMMON GROUND**

**Between:**

**MINISTRY OF JUSTICE / HIS MAJESTY'S PRISON AND PROBATION SERVICE (HMPPS)**

**and**

**ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCIL**

**FORMER CAMP HILL PRISON (KEY PRIORITY SITE 1)**

**Former Camp Hill Prison, Isle of Wight**

**19 February 2025**

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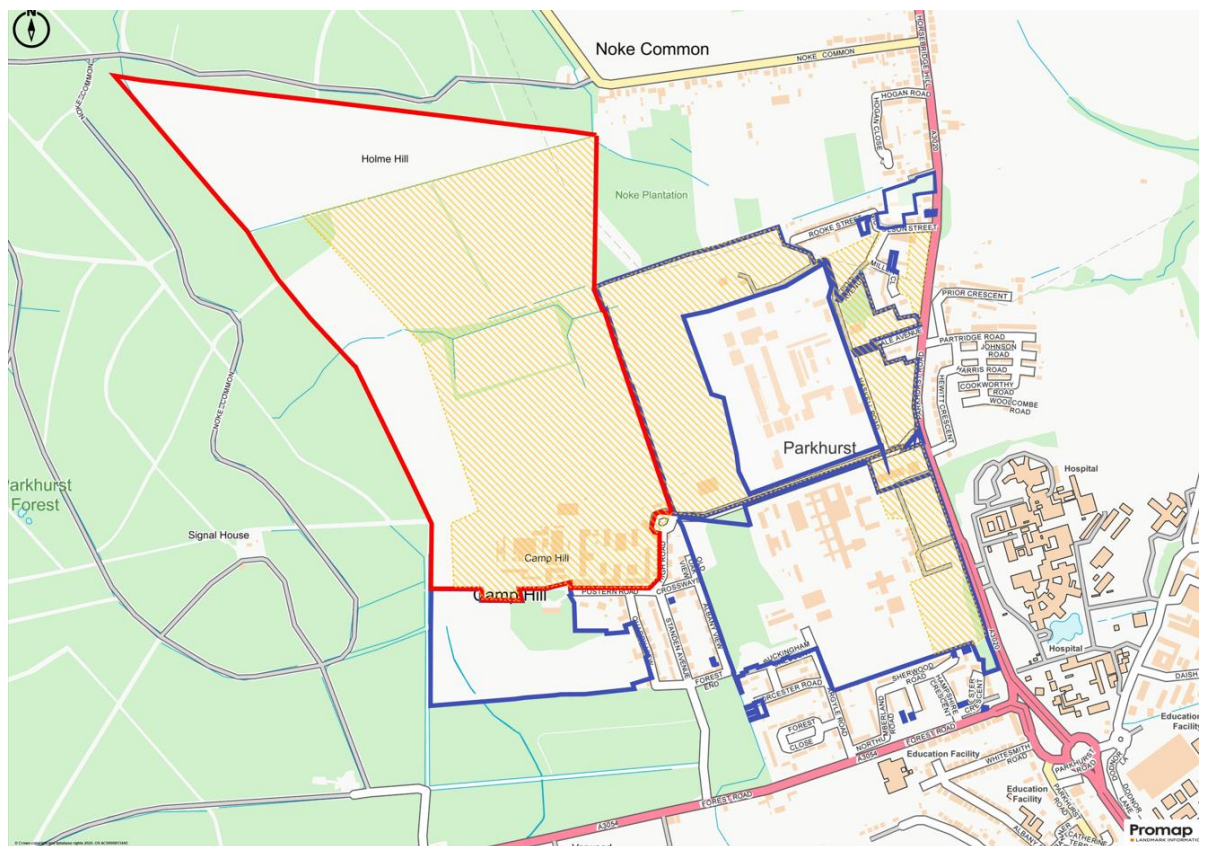
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## **1. INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1 This Statement of Common Ground (SoCG) has been prepared by Cushman & Wakefield on behalf of Ministry of Justice (MOJ) and HMPPS in agreement with Isle of Wight Council (“the Council”). It relates to the allocation of the former Camp Hill Prison (hereafter referred to as “the site”) as a Key Priority Site (KPS1).
- 1.2 The purpose of this SoCG is to identify the areas where the principal parties (MOJ [the landowner] and the Council) agree in relation to the proposed allocation. It also provides a joint response to the Matters and Issues raised by the inspectors, Specifically, Matter 6 (Allocating Sites for Housing), Issue 2 (Whether the policy approach for the proposed Key Priority Sites is soundly based).

## 2. THE FORMER CAMP HILL PRISON SITE AND PROPOSED SITE ALLOCATION (POLICY KPS1)

2.1 The former Camp Hill Prison and site extends to approximately 62 hectares and is shown on the plan below edged red. The Ministry of Justice owns the subject site together with additional land shown edged blue. The extent of the draft allocation is shown hatched in orange to show how the draft policy area relates to land ownership.



2.2 The MOJ owns land which adjoins the former Camp Hill Prison site. Specifically, HMP Albany (adjoining the site to the southeast) and HMP Parkhurst (adjoining the site to the east), which have been combined and operate as HMP Isle of Wight.

### **3. COMMON GROUND**

3.1 The following is agreed common ground between the parties:

- a) The former Camp Hill Prison site and the extent of other land in current MoJ ownership are identified on the attached plan.
- b) MoJ/HMPPS broadly supports in principle the creation of a sustainable, mixed-used, multi-tenured, high quality designed new neighbourhood and therefore supports the proposed allocation in Policy KPS1, subject to the site being declared surplus to operational requirements and made available for alternative uses in the future.
- c) MoJ/HMPPS is exploring options for the future of the site and both parties are committed to working in partnership with MoJ/HMPPS participating in the masterplanning of the site (which is a policy requirement) for as long as MoJ remains landowner.
- d) Given criterion (c), the proposed housing trajectory within the Island Planning Strategy, which shows development coming forward on this site from 2032/33 onwards, is considered appropriate at the time this statement was signed.