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Good Afternoon

Please find below Northampton Borough Council's response in respect of Action Point 3 for ISH4 relating to commuting patterns.

The NOMIS analysis of travel to work flows from the 2011 Census is helpful in this regard:

<https://www.nomisweb.co.uk/census/2011/WU03UK/chart/1132462266>

It shows a significant net inflow for Northampton of 12,103 (consisting of a gross inflow of 39,545 and a gross outflow of 27,442). On the basis of this, it is not true to say that, for Northampton, there is a general trend of "out-migration" in terms of commuter flows. The biggest net outflow from Northampton is to Milton Keynes at 2,128. This may be a function of the housing market as the prices of properties in Northampton are significantly lower than those in Milton Keynes.

Attached is an analysis using the same data done for each of the Northants boroughs and districts plus Milton Keynes. It is correct to note that there is a net outflow for South Northants in excess of 11,000 people- the figure is 11,462.

In practical terms, the application site is closer to the centre of Northampton than some of the outer suburbs that fall within Northampton Borough. The distance of the Gateway site from Northampton town centre (measured to All Saints Church) is 5.7km, whereas the distance from Cluniac Court in the east of the borough to the town centre is 7.2km. So whilst it might be argued that the Gateway proposal could in some way be seen as potentially "improving" the balance between inflows and outflows for South Northants, it could be argued that the practical impact would be to increase the commuter inflow to the Northampton area.

Kind Regards

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## Travel to Work Data (from NOMIS 2011 Census)

### **Northampton**

Overall: 39,545 inflow, 27,442 outflow, 12,103 net inflow

#### Top inflows:

Daventry	6,306 (2,129)
South Northants	6,275 (2,548)
Wellingborough	5,802 (2,685)
Kettering	3,559 (1,790)

#### Top outflows:

Milton Keynes	4,221 (-2,128)
Then as above	

### **Daventry**

Overall: 17,297 inflow, 18,179 outflow, -882 net

#### Top inflows:

Northampton	4177 (-2,129)
Rugby	3603 (2,024)
Coventry	1196 (670)
South Northants	1092 (-364)

Top outflows: As above

### **South Northants**

Overall: 13,991 inflow, 25,453 outflow, -11,462 net

#### Top outflows:

Northampton	6275 (-2548)
Milton Keynes	5631 (-4320)
Cherwell	4278 (-2054)

### **Wellingborough**

Overall: 14,954 inflow, 16,956 outflow, - 2,002 net

#### Top outflows:

Northampton	5,802 (-2685)
East Northants	2,525 (2209)
Kettering	2,239 (417)
Milton Keynes	1,378 (-1038)

### **Kettering**

Overall: 13,987 inflow, 18,622 outflow, -4,635 net

Top outflows:	
Corby	3,593 (-561)
Northampton	3,559 (-1,790)
Wellingborough	2,239 (-417)
East Northants	1,715 (912)

### **East Northants**

Overall: 10,053 inflow, 22,383 outflow, -12,330 net

Top outflows:	
Wellingborough	4,534 (-2,209)
Northampton	3,293 (-2,435)
Kettering	2,627 (-912)
Bedford	2,344 (-1,903)

### **Corby**

Overall: 9,189 inflow, 8,967 outflow, 222 net

Top inflows:	
Kettering	3,593 (561)
East Northants	1,115 (354)

Top outflows:	
Kettering	3,032 (561)
Northampton	982 (-549)

### **Milton Keynes**

Overall: 44,518 inflow, 28,182 outflow, 16,336 net

Top inflows:	
Central Beds	8,061 (3,961)
South Northants	5,631 (4,320)
Aylesbury Vale	4,945 (2,237)
Northampton	4,221 (2,128)
Bedford	3,909 (1,780)
Luton	1,979 (510)

### **Measure of containment i.e. % of residents who live and work in the same LA area:**

Northampton	69%
Daventry	41.3%
South Northants	28.2%
Wellingborough	44.5%
Kettering	52.6%

East Northants	36.1%
Corby	67.5%
Milton Keynes	73.6%