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EXAMINATION

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Initial questions response and extension to the examination suspension period

The Programme Officer has forwarded documentation constituting your response to questions we raised in our initial letter of 2 December 2025. We appreciate the significant amount of work that has evidently taken place to formulate your response.

From an initial review of the submission, however, we note that some documents are not complete or are absent. This includes key information such as:

- The principal response paper, entitled 'Initial Questions – Examination' – sections marked 'Open' (i.e. not complete)
- Composite Habitats Regulations Appraisal – two sections marked 'To do'
- 'Financial Viability Report update'
- 'Implementation Appendix'
- Some 'sites files' (excluding community facilities allocations, for which an explanation for non-inclusion is provided)

We recognise that not all information will be available at the point that documents are submitted. However, the above omissions appear to be within the Council's control, potentially with an expectation that more information is to be submitted later in the examination.

Whilst reluctant to further delay the examination and subsequent hearings, we are not prepared to accept the submission in its incomplete state for two principal reasons:

- Omitted information may have an impact on other documents within the submission, and

- The submission of ‘evolving drafts’ of supporting evidence is unnecessarily confusing for participants and is not in the interests of an efficient examination.

Our initial letter made it clear that the examination suspension period could be extended or reduced in length depending on the anticipated or actual length of the work programme. As more time is evidently needed to finalise your submission, we are extending the examination suspension period until **25 March 2026**, which you should take as the **new deadline for responding to our initial questions**. We will therefore disregard **all** documents that the Programme Officer has recently forwarded to us and will await a renewed, complete submission. We would request that this is prefaced with a cover letter which identifies each document’s unique ‘ED’ reference and the document’s title and purpose.

Separately, we have requested that you submit a paper relating to the new household projections. We will amend the deadline for the submission of this paper to 25 March, providing an opportunity for you to consider any interlinked implications in the round and submit all requested information concurrently.

If it is impossible to provide certain information at the point of submission (e.g. because it is outside the Council’s control/remit), please ensure that you:

- Provide reasons in the relevant documents to explain why this is the case,
- Where appropriate, indicate when the information may become known, and
- Outline the Council’s view as to the implications for the Plan’s soundness or legal compliance, if any.

If additional time is needed to provide a finalised submission, please inform us via the Programme Officer as soon as possible.

Please contact us via the Programme Officer if you have any questions about this letter.

Ian Stevens and Paul Selby

Inspectors