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Dear Ms Gibbons

NORTH WEST LEICESTERSHIRE LOCAL PLAN PARTIAL REVIEW - RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS

I refer to your note regarding Matters and Issues in respect of the above Examination (INS02) and in particular the additional questions upon which you requested a response.

For ease of reference I have included your comment/question in a box with the Councils response set out afterwards.

Q(a). Paragraph 5.8 of the Partial Review refers to 'at the time of the examination' could the Council please confirm to which examination it is intended to refer to?

This is a reference to the Examination of the adopted Local Plan which involved hearing sessions in January and March 2017.

<u>I have received the submission Documents and Evidence (and note that these have been provided on the Council's website):</u>

Q(b). Are any other substantial work/reports likely to be undertaken for the examination, and if so, what is the timetable for such work?

No other work or reports are in preparation in respect of the Partial Review Examination, but work does continue on the Substantive Review.

The Partial Review Topic Paper (Para 4.5, Table 2 and Para 4.6) refers to planning permission and commitments relating to B1, B2 and B8 uses:

Q(c). Could the Council please provide details of these including dates of permission and current status including whether any of these have now started and any which have legal agreements which remain unsigned.

Please see Appendix 1 attached which provides the information requested. The information in terms of the status of individual sites (for example, was it started or completed) is at October 2019. We do not have more up-to-date information at this stage.

The Local Plan Partial Review Topic Paper outlines the programme for the Leicester Local Plan with a draft being considered by a Special Council Meeting in February:

Q(d). Could the Council please set out the latest position on the progress of the Leicester City Council Local Plan?

We have been in contact with Leicester City Council and they have advised that

"Unfortunately, due to the extreme circumstances currently affecting us all, we have decided to postpone the commencement of our Local Plan consultation Reg 18 (which was due to commence today 23rd March) until further notice".

Yours Sincerely

I.k. Mr.

Ian Nelson

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