Response to EXAM Documents 15 to 17 – Gladman Developments

Please find below Gladman’s initial response the Council’s proposed changes to Policy PS1, and Chapter 5 of the Part 2 Local Plan.

Policy SP1 – Support changes.

Chapter 5 – Rural Areas

Support proposed amendments to text in Paragraphs 5.1.05, 5.2.19, and 5.2.25.

Gladman maintains our position in relation to Policy RA6 and the wording “The intrinsic character, beauty, and tranquillity of the open countryside of the District will be protected”. As discussed at the hearings, this wording fails to reflect the NPPF, where these qualities are to be “recognised”. The Policy should be amended to ensure that development “recognises the intrinsic character, beauty and tranquillity of the open countryside”.

For Paragraph 5.2.19/Policy R1 Gladman consider the wording should be reviewed to be more simplistic. Our suggested wording would be “Development outside of development confines may only be granted, where [listed bullet points exist] or where it is consistent with Policy R6”

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