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Dear Ian

Daventry Part 2 Local Plan – Response to Exam 16 and Exam 17

Further to your email of the 20th June 2019, inviting comments on the Council's suggested modifications to Chapter 5 of the Local Plan and Policy SP1, I have set out below comments on behalf of Davidsons Developments Limited.

Exam 16 – Suggested Changes to Chapter 5 and Rural Settlement Policies

Exam 16 sets out a number of suggested amendments to the Rural Area policies in the light of discussions at the Examination sessions. Whilst the suggested amendments help to clarify the policies, including reference to a housing needs assessment at para 5.2.19, they do not address our fundamental concerns as expressed in our submissions.

We remain of the view that the Council should look to identify additional sites in the more sustainable rural settlements to provide for further flexibility in the plan.

Exam 17 – Suggested Changes to Policy SP1

The suggested changes to Policy SP1 provide additional text to paragraph 4.1.05 and clause B to the policy to see to clarify the approach taken that part of the district falling within the Northampton Related Development Area (NRDA). This confirms the Council's position that it is not within the scope of the Part 2 Plan to plan for development to the needs of Northampton.

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Again, we remain of the view that the Council should be preparing a Part 2 Plan to set out how it will deliver the housing requirements for Daventry District as set out in the JCS. The approach taken by the Council means that a critical component of the housing requirement is not being addressed, and the plan is unsound in not dealing with issues of five year housing supply for the district as a whole arising from the failure to deliver the required level of housing for the NRDA.

Yours sincerely



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