

INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION OF THE KILSBY REVIEW NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER:

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To West Northamptonshire Council and Kilsby Parish Council

By email to Jane Parry Senior Policy Officer (Planning), West Northamptonshire Council, and Emma Gibson, Clerk, Kilsby Parish Council

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Dear Jane and Emma

Kilsby Review Neighbourhood Development Plan Independent Examination – Examiner letter seeking clarification of matters

Further to my initial letter of 28 March 2022 I am writing to seek clarification of the following matters:

Policy K3

1. Map 5 in Appendix I of the Review Neighbourhood Plan identifies important views. I am satisfied important views 2, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 relate to specific parts of the built heritage of the Conservation Area and are appropriately referred to in Policy K5. I am also satisfied view 4 of ridge and furrow fields is sufficiently supported with evidence and should be included in a policy of the Review Neighbourhood Plan, although more appropriately Policy K5 rather than Policy K3.

With respect to views 1, 3, 5 and 6 I appreciate these were identified in the CAAMP but note the Kilsby Design Code identifies viewpoints from where the surrounding landscape can be appreciated. These do not include views 1 and 6, variations on views 3 and 5, and additional views looking north not shown on Map 5. Please advise me of the intended relationship between part 3 of Policy K3 and Map 5 of the Review Neighbourhood Plan.

Policy K5

2. Policy K5 relates to 'built heritage'. Does Part 3 of the policy relate to development proposals within the Conservation Area?

Policy K6

3. Paragraph 4.3.3 of the Review Neighbourhood Plan states “the CAAMP identifies non designated heritage assets for the Local List including an area of ridge and furrow.” Section 9.2 on page 40, and Figure 35, of the CAAMP identify an area of ridge and furrow north of Rugby Road (and other heritage assets in Kilsby) for inclusion in a Local List. I note the West Northamptonshire Council website states the Local List has been finalised for Kilsby – see page 40 of the Kilsby Conservation Area Appraisal. The key to Map 5 in Appendix 1 of the Review Neighbourhood Plan includes “Local List Entry”. Is this confirmation that the Local List has been adopted in respect of heritage assets in Kilsby? In formulating a response could you please also comment on Paragraph 4.3.10 of the Review Neighbourhood Plan which states “However the ridge and furrow fields, of which there are particularly fine examples on the northern boundary of the village have no formal, specific protection.”

I request any response to these matters is agreed as a joint response of the Parish Council and West Northamptonshire Council wherever possible. This request for clarification and any response should be published on the West Northamptonshire Council website.

In order to maintain the momentum of the Independent Examination I would be grateful if any reply could be sent to me by 12.00 Noon on Friday 29 April 2022.

As the Independent Examination progresses, I may seek clarification with respect to other matters. For the avoidance of doubt recommendations of modification of the Neighbourhood Plan that may be contained in my report of Independent Examination will not be limited to those matters in respect of which I have requested clarification.

I should be grateful if West Northamptonshire Council and the Parish Council could acknowledge receipt of this email.

Best regards

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