

Dear Mr. Andrew Darcey, Mrs. Charlotte Brennan and the Planning Policy Team,

I write in relation to the local plan and the various consultations and hearings that have taken place under the guidance of inspector Jonathan Manning, most recently the Main Modifications (EX135).

I fear that possibly due to staff changes (Jemma March, Phil Mylan and James Mann all leaving) that issues raised in the original inspectors hearings and the subsequent directions given by the inspector have not been dealt with and as a result items have been missed from the final version of the Local plan, possibly making it 'Un-sound'.

My concern relates to EC01 and EC02.

The inspector was very direct in his instruction that the council include a modification to 'commit to an early review of policy EC01' in the local plan doc (Please see Charlotte Brennan's letter of the 6th of November. This commitment is missing from the final draft.

Secondly the inspector confirmed that he would write regarding the proposed inclusion of a further clause in EC02, the wording of which was drafted on the 19th of Sept during the hearing session on matters 9&10, by the planning policy team and the directors of Snetterton Park Ltd.

The text confirmed was very similar in content to the text detailed in the Statement of Common Ground signed by the aforementioned parties (please see attached).

The absence of these two items in the final document calls into question the soundness of the local plan;

- ☐ Why have the inspectors direct instructions not been followed (There is no mention in the local plan of a commitment to an early review of EC01!)?
- ☐ Why has agreed text not been included?
- ☐ Why has the inspector not written on the matter as instructed?
- ☐ If these two items have been intentionally omitted, why is there no document trail to explain the reasoning?

I have made a (last minute) submission in this current consultation relating to these issues (copy attached). I appreciate that they are not directly listed in the Doc EX135, but neither were they listed in the previous Main modifications paper or the Minor modifications paper. I fear that in the pressure to get the local plan signed off, and possible as a result of the key members of staff moving jobs, that they have 'simply' been omitted by error!

If this is the case, hopefully the error can be addressed, in the final document. If it is not as a result of error, I would greatly appreciate an explanation from the Inspector. As matters stand due to the omissions, EC01 and EC02 are arguably un-sound.

Yours Sincerely

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