INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION OF THE MEDBOURNE NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER:

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To Harborough District Council by email to M.Bills@harborough.gov.uk

Dated 14 March 2018

Dear Matthew

Medbourne Neighbourhood Development Plan Independent Examination

1. Appointment

I look forward to receiving the signed consultancy agreement/terms of business. If you could send me two signed copies I will sign one and return it to you for your files. Alternatively if you email it to me I will sign and email it back to you.

2. Communications

Please confirm who should be my main contact in your Department and the name of an alternative if the main contact is absent through sickness or holiday. Thank you for alerting me to your upcoming holiday.

It would also be helpful if you could let me have a contact name and email contact for the Parish Council so that I can copy any communication to them during the examination.

3. Documents

I would be grateful if you could arrange for a hard copy of the Submission Plan documents to be posted to me at Sweepers, Allen Lane, Fritchley, Belper, Derbyshire DE56 2FX. I will confirm when the Plan documents arrive in the post.

Could you please advise me if there are any other evidence base documents and where I can view those.

After the closing date please also send me a hard copy of each Regulation 16 representation and a summary list of all those received. If these can also be sent to me electronically (even better converted to Word) this will avoid unnecessary retyping/checking.

All documents provided to me should be available to all interested parties, which is best achieved through your website.

4. Development Plan

Could you please confirm what constitutes the Development Plan for the Medbourne Neighbourhood Area and identify the policies that are regarded by the Local Planning Authority as strategic. Please also inform me where I can view the relevant Plan documents.

Regards

Chris Collison

Independent Examiner

Planning and Management Ltd

LPA response

Dear Chris

Thank you for the email.

To answer you queries in order:

- 1. Please find attached the signed consultancy agreement. I will place two copies in the post today.
- 2. Contact will be through myself m.bills@harboprough.gov.uk tel 07703211863

Alternative contact: Lesley Aspinall l.aspinall@harborough.gov.uk tel 01858821147

Strategic Planning Manager is Rob Thornhill r.thornhill@harborough.gov.uk

3. Parish Council Contact

Contact for the Qualifying Body will be through the Clerk to the Council (Martin Field - pcmedbourne@gmail.com)

Further contact for the Neighbourhood Plan Steering group are:

Bernadette Lee (Chair)

David Nance (Secretary)

- 4. I will place hard copies of the submission documents in the post, and forward the collated Reg 16. Responses as soon as they are available. The Reg 16 will be submitted in a word document, with respondent details. A redacted version of the document will be on the District Council website for public viewing and the QB will be supplied with a copy.
- 5. The Development Plan for Medbourne constitutes the Core Strategy 2006 to 2028. The District Council will submit the Local Plan to the Inspectorate tomorrow (16/3/2018). I will place copies of both in the post.

Strategic Policies - Core Strategy 2006 to 2028

- · Policy CS1: Spatial Strategy
- · Policy CS2: Delivering New Housing
- · Policy CS3: Delivering Housing Choice and Affordability
- · Policy CS4: Providing for Gypsy, Traveller and Travelling Showpeople Needs
- · Policy CS5: Providing Sustainable Transport
- · Policy CS6: Improving Town Centres and Retailing
- · Policy CS7: Enabling Employment and Business Development
- · Policy CS8: Protecting and Enhancing Green Infrastructure
- · Policy CS9: Addressing Climate Change
- · Policy CS10: Addressing Flood Risk
- · Policy CS11: Promoting Design and Built Heritage
- · Policy CS12: Delivering Development and Supporting Infrastructure
- · Policy CS13: Market Harborough
- · Policy CS14: Lutterworth
- · Policy CS15: Leicester Principal Urban Area
- · Policy CS16: Broughton Astley
- · Policy CS17: Countryside, Rural Centres and Rural Villages

Strategic Policies - Local Plan 2011 to 2031

1.6.6 of the Local Plan states:

Having given consideration to these factors, the Council is of the view that almost all

the policies in this Local Plan meet some or all of these criteria and are therefore strategic.

The exceptions to this are:

- GD6: Areas of Separation
- GD9: Minerals Safeguarding Areas
- H3: Rural exception sites
- RT3: Shopfronts and advertisements
- HC2: Community facilities
- HC3: Public houses, post offices and village shops
- GI3: Cemeteries
- GI4: Local Green Space
- CC4: Sustainable drainage.

The entire library of documents for the District Council policies is on the following link

http://www.harborough.gov.uk/planning-strategy

Additionally I will ensure all the correspondence between the LPA and the Examiner is available on the District Council website.

I believe I have answered all your queries, but if you require any further information please contact me

Regards

Matthew