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Dear Sirs

RE: POLICY EN10: NATURE RECOVERY AND BIODIVERSITY NET GAIN: GREAT BOWDEN NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

In light of the letter sent by the Examiner on 29 April 2026 requesting further clarification to a number of matters relating to the Great Bowden Neighbourhood Plan, we consider that the following information should be provided to the Examiner.

On behalf of our landowner clients, we write in respect of the Great Bowden Neighbourhood Plan, specifically Policy EN10: Nature Recovery and Biodiversity Net Gain.

My clients own land off Welham Road, Great Bowden, outlined red on the accompanying Location Plan.

It has come to our attention that the land proposed for designation under Policy EN10 in the Great Bowden Neighbourhood Plan includes my client's land. This land should not be allocated under Policy EN10.

Policy ENV 10 states *'The Neighbourhood Area includes land covered by a new initiative by Harborough Council and its partners to create a landscape-scale Nature Recovery Area, including sites for rewilding and biodiversity net gain.'*

My clients are not 'partners' of Harborough District Council as described in the policy and do not intend to facilitate the land as part of the Nature Recovery Area. The land is currently agricultural land and is the subject of an outline planning application for a residential development scheme. It is also divorced from the wider designation by the A6, which is a significant barrier.

The allocation of my client's land under Policy EN10 is not justified and serves no purpose.

We would be grateful if you could confirm receipt of this letter.

Kind regards

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Director