

## Barnsley Local Plan Examination

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Dear Ms Tweed,

### **Barnsley Local Plan – Follow up items**

As the Matters, Issues & Questions for Stage 1 of the Examination have now been sent, I am writing to follow up on a few outstanding points and I have indicated where it would be helpful to have the Council's response:

1. Update to Local Development Scheme - I note that the alterations to the LDS are subject to the approval of full Council on 19 May 2017 which is during the first stage of the hearing sessions. Whilst compliance with the LDS will be raised as part of the legal requirements in Main Matter 1, a further update on the outcome of the meeting should be provided at the opening of the second week of hearing sessions on 23 May. I will arrange the programme to accommodate this.
2. Section 20(7C) request to Inspector to recommend main modifications – I note that this is also to be considered at the full Council meeting on 19 May 2017. The timing of the Section 20(7C) request is a matter for the Council but it would be helpful if the Council's position could be updated at the opening of the second week of hearings on 23 May 2017.
3. Format of List of minor modifications (SD30) – could you provide me with an update on the re-formatting of this document please?
4. Format of policies – could you provide me with an update on whether or not the Council intends to revise the wording of any of the policies as indicated in your letter of 28 February 2017?
5. Examination structure – the Examination is progressing in two stages with provisional dates for the second stage now set for 11 – 28 July, subject to

the satisfactory completion of the first stage. The second stage will cover a wide range of topics which is likely to generate significant interest to attend the hearing sessions. I will endeavour to manage the hearing programme efficiently, but it may be necessary to arrange additional dates in the event that the programme cannot be accommodated within the 3 weeks. From my perspective, it would be likely that early October would be the first available opportunity for that. However, it would be helpful I could have the Council's response to this point to inform my consideration of the stage 2 hearing programme.

I look forward to receiving your response by 21 April 2017. Please let me know via the Programme Officer if there are any queries in the meantime.

Yours sincerely

*Sarah Housden*

INSPECTOR