Bassetlaw Core Strategy and Development Management Policies DPD - Public Examination

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By email

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Dear Mr Schofield

EXAMINATION INTO THE SOUNDNESS OF THE BASSETLAW CORE STRATEGY AND DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT POLICIES DPD

Thank you for your letter of 26 February 2011, which has now been seen by the Inspector.

After careful consideration of the contents of the letter the Inspector has decided that arrangements can now be put in place for progressing the Examination. Upon reflection, and having regard to The Planning Inspectorate's guidance, the Inspector considers that a Pre-Hearing Meeting will not be required. Administrative and procedural arrangements for the Hearing sessions will be set out in a detailed advice note. This will be made available as soon as possible.

As regards the dates of the Hearing it is suggested that they commence on 17 May 2011 and extend into the following week. An approach that the Inspector currently favours is that the Core Strategy is dealt with in the first week with the Development Management Policies DPD in the second. Any days not required during these weeks the Inspector would use for preparation, site visits or reporting. The draft programme for the Hearings is likely to evolve over the next few weeks.

The Inspector intends to issue his Matters, Issues and Questions papers for the Core Strategy Hearings by 5 April 2011, with those for Development Management Policies DPD by 12 April 2011. This would give the Council and representors about 4 weeks in which to forward responses to the Inspector's questions.

I shall be grateful if you would give some consideration to these initial thoughts and let me know if the arrangements and provisional dates are acceptable to the Council.

Thank you in anticipation of your early reply.

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