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Dear Ms Dix

EIP Timetable Mr R A H Perkins – 1317/189/C/PUB

Mr Perkin's representations are listed for the hearing of, respectively, Matter 1 on Tuesday 21 April Matter 4 on Thursday 23 April and Matter 12 on Wednesday 29 April.

Further to your communications with Mr Beardsell, we confirm that, in respect of Matter 1 on Tuesday 21 April and Matter 4 on 23 April, we will not be appearing in person, but will rely on our written representations

We will be attending the hearing of Matter 12 on Wednesday 29 April.

In relation to Matter 1, our key point goes to Q7 of the Agenda for Matter 1; namely, the delegation of the detailed definition of the boundaries for the Inner Urban Core Area Action Plan ("the AAP") to the AAP itself.

This letter is written in reliance on the Councils' statements that the boundaries for the AAP will be considered and determined as material considerations in producing the AAP. We refer to responses 12 and 13 of CCD3, response 82 of CCD3a and para. 43 of the Councils' statement ref: M1/CHD. We also note para. 7.6 of the notes of the Pre-Hearing Meeting. We are content that the detailed boundaries are to be defined in this way and we will, at the appropriate time in the future, be repeating our request for a northward extension of the boundary to include our client's site.

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You will appreciate that our reliance on those statements in relation to Matter I give rise to a legitimate expectation that full and proper consideration of the AAP boundaries will be carried out as part of the AAP process and that neither the Councils nor the Inspector will pre-empt that process at this Core Strategy EIP. Accordingly, we must reserve the right to make further representations in the event that either of the Councils' position is changed at the EIP or the Inspector is minded to take a contrary view.

Yours sincerely

Tom Graham

Partner