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Dear Ms Dix

EIP Timetable Mr DED Johnson – 1230/188/CS/PUB

Mr Johnson's representations are listed for Matter 1 on Tuesday 21 April.

Further to your communications with Mr Beardsell, we confirm that we will not be appearing in person at the session, but will rely on our written representations.

Our key point goes to Q7 of the Agenda for Matter 1; namely, the delegation of the detailed definition of the boundaries for the City Centre and Etruria Road Corridor 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 response 12 of CCD3, response 74 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.

You will appreciate that our reliance on those statements in relation to Matter 1 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' positions is changed at the EIP or the Inspector is minded to take a contrary view.

Yours sincerely

Tom Graham Partner