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Gloria,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed CHD 14 draft revision to Section 5.17 of the Core Strategy. I would wish for the following to be forwarded to the Inspector as the response on behalf of Lands Improvement.

The revised wording is at least clearer now, although reference to the Area Spatial Policy plans might help further in defining the Renew HMRP areas referred to. We understand, basically, that the test of harm will apply to everything anyway. During the hearing we also discussed the possibility of suggesting that the test would probably only have a limited shelf life and its relevance would become less under a plan led approach once the Site Allocations DPD has been prepared. We also discussed the possibility of including some words that the test would have to be balanced against the requirement to deliver housing growth targets. It may be that the Councils are happy to integrate words to this effect, or that subsequently the Inspector is happy to do so.

We understand the Council's proposed wording but maintain our view that the policy is not required and in the absence of clear criteria remains unsound.

No doubt you will come back to me on any further papers issued relevant to our representations to the Examination.

Regards, Stephen.

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Dear Mr Stoney,

Following the Hearing Session yesterday morning, I attach for your information CHD14 which provides the Councils revised wording for para 5.17 of the Core Strategy.

If you have any further comments please provide them by e-mail asap and no later than Tuesday 5th May.

Kind Regards

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