

INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION OF THE STINSFORD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

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Dear Ms Cooke, Ms Riglar and Mr Cardnell

STINSFORD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN EXAMINATION

Having carried out my visit to the Stinsford Neighbourhood Plan Area, I have identified some matters on which clarification from Stinsford Parish Council and Dorset Council would assist me in my examination of the Stinsford Neighbourhood Plan (the Plan). May I request the submission of responses to my questions **by 4 January 2022**, although an earlier response would be most welcome.

Questions to Stinsford Parish Council (SPC) and Dorset Council (DC)

1. Question for SPC

What was the date of submission of the Plan to Dorset Council?

2. Question for SP

- a) Please could another Figure 2 be submitted which delineates the River Valley Landscape as identified on the Dorset Landscape Character Assessment map referred to in the DC Regulation 16 response?
- b) Please could the new Figure 2 also exclude the parts of the Important Gaps near Frome Whitfield and Dorchester which extend beyond the Plan area?

3. Question for SPC

- a) Please could another Figure 4 be submitted which corrects the anomaly of the number of Valued Views on the map (which the key shows as 8) and the Important Local Views in Table 4 (of which there are 7), and which would include numbering the views on the map?

- b) In addition, please could the numbered Valued Views on Figure 2 be rationalised so that viewpoints located outside the Plan area on the edge of Dorchester are removed?

4. Question for SPC and DC

A revised version of the National Planning Policy Framework was published by the government on 20 July 2021, alongside a final version of the National Model Design Code. I would be grateful if you could please advise me whether you consider any modifications in relation to the non-strategic matters covered by the draft Plan are necessary as a result of the publications and, if so, what these are?

5. Question for SPC

I would be pleased to receive any further comments about issues raised in the Regulation 16 representations should SPC wish to make any.

(NB. My request for new Figures 2 and 4 is without prejudice to my final conclusions and any recommended modifications.)

In the interests of transparency, may I prevail upon you to ensure that a copy of this letter and any subsequent response(s) are placed on the Parish Council and Local Authority websites.

Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Your sincerely

Andy Mead

Examiner