

Inspector's Question 8 for the Council (post hearings)

High Court Judgement dated 31st July 2015

On 31st July 2015 the High Court issued judgement on a joint application by West Berkshire District Council and Reading Borough Council primarily regarding the Secretary of State's Written Ministerial Statement of 28th November 2014. The judgement confirms that the Statement must not be treated as a material consideration in development plan procedures and decisions.

It would be helpful if the Council could confirm whether or not there are any implications of this judgement for the North Dorset Local Plan of which I should be aware and if there are, how they should be addressed.

A response by Friday 11th September would be welcome.

David Hogger

Inspector

24th August 2015