

WAREHAM TOWN TRUST

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David Hogger
Inspector
Purbeck Core Strategy
Development Plan Document Examination
c/o Purbeck District Council
Westport House
Worgret Road
Wareham

Dear Mr Hogger

Purbeck Core Strategy

Thank you for your invitation to comment on Purbeck District Council's report on the implications of the National Planning Policy Framework.

In framing our statements to the recent Examination in Public we considered the implications of this new planning framework and will not repeat these now.

However there is one point I wish to draw to your attention which has not been covered previously. Following the decision of the Council in October 2010 to drop the proposed supermarket proposal for Worgret Road in Wareham and following the publishing of a revised draft strategy, the Town Trust still had concerns regarding the robustness of the revised strategy to resisting an out-of-town supermarket. In view of this we urged the District Council to seek Counsel's opinion on the Strategy.

The Council agreed to do this but was unwilling to share either the brief for Counsel or Counsel's response with the Town Trust. Even so I consider that both the brief and Counsel's opinion should be shared with you, as vital evidence which will be of interest to you as planning inspector.

Sincerely,

Alan Tubbs, Chair

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