

**WEST DORSET, WEYMOUTH & PORTLAND LOCAL PLAN**

I have now had a chance to discuss with colleagues here at County Hall and at West Dorset/Weymouth & Portland Councils, the specific matters for discussion that Dorset County Council has been invited to attend at the examination.

**On Matter 9 - Peripheral Weymouth Localities** , we are satisfied that, subject to the Inspector accepting the modifications proposed by West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland Councils in June 2013 (specifically to Policy LITT 1 and paras 9.2.1 - 9.2.2 and CHIC 2 and paras 10.6.1 - 10.6.6) which were incorporated into the Submitted Plan, we are content with these parts of the Plan. We do not therefore propose to submit any further representations or send a representative to attend that session of the Examination.

**On Matters 14 - Infrastructure, Delivery and Monitoring, 15 - Saved Policies etc and 16 - Any Other Matters**, we have discussed our concerns with West Dorset and Weymouth & Portland Council officers and understand that they will propose further modifications to the text of Section 1.5 on Monitoring and Review (Para 1.5.2 of the Submitted Plan (incorporating modifications dated June 2013)). We have seen the proposed revised wording (as set out below) and are satisfied that it meets the County Council's concerns. We do not therefore propose to submit further evidence or send an additional representative to the Examination on this Matter. Mr Richard Dodson of Dorset County Council will be attending as part of the West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland team and will be available to answer any queries if necessary.

**Proposed wording of para 1.5.2 as agreed by Dorset County Council:**

"Monitoring and, where relevant, targets, are included in relation to specific policies in the plan. The Councils will regularly monitor the extent to which the policies are effective and what they are delivering in terms of ~~both~~ new development, social and economic factors and environmental protection. The councils will continue to engage and work collaboratively with service providers to review infrastructure requirements and regularly update the Infrastructure Delivery Plan. ~~And~~ The Councils will also consider what implications changes to national policy may have on the effectiveness of the plan. The role of neighbourhood development plans will also be monitored as they have the ability to play a key role in the planning of new development. Any of these factors may trigger the need to consider an early review of the plan. The councils' will consult with appropriate service providers in any review of the plan. Otherwise a review is likely to commence by no later than 2021 in order to maintain a robust five year land supply. "

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