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Dear Sir

Former Victoria Works, Engine Street, Brigg – Housing Land Allocation

On behalf of my clients J B Edlington & Co Limited of the Old Bus Depot, Ropery Road, Gainsborough, Lincolnshire DN21 2NS I lodged representations on 6th June seeking the allocation of a significant part of the above property for housing purposes. In those representations I did not ask for the opportunity of my clients or myself on their behalf to participate at the Oral Examination. However having noted from your letter of the 10th November and the accompanying enclosures that the Inspector has not raised any specific questions relating to my clients land, my clients and I are seriously concerned that the representations made may be overlooked or not fully understood and would consequently request the opportunity to participate in the Examination. This would be with reference to Matter 3 (Housing Allocations) for Brigg and I assume that the hearing session relevant to my client's representations will be the one dealing with Omission sites, presumably on Thursday 15th or Tuesday 20th January next.

The Inspector's questions raise the suitability of Sites BRIH – 1 to 5 having regard to flood risk (and we are aware that there are question marks over ground conditions in that location) and in some cases access, which concerns could clearly have an impact on deliverability. I also remain concerned that appropriate weight has not been given to the issues of choice, sustainability and the use of brownfield land which in my view should have led the Council to positively encourage the allocation of my client's land and indeed adjoining areas.

My client's land is shown edged red on the attached Ordnance extract demonstrating that a significant part is within the previously approved Development Limit for Brigg. A small site adjoining on the east side already has a high density residential planning permission for 10 dwellings although so far as I am aware, this development is not currently being pursued. While there may be access issues in this location I do not believe that these preclude development and with my clients happy to contribute that part of their land which is outside of the old Development Limit to the adjoining public open space area which is I believe owned by the Council. It seems to me that there is a significant planning balance in favour of securing housing development in this location which justifies tackling the obvious site specific issues of access and multiple ownership.

In the circumstances I hope that the Inspector will allow me or any alternative representative my clients may wish to nominate, to attend the appropriate hearing session and to provide a further contribution in respect to the Examination of the soundness of the Council's Plan.

Yours faithfully

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Boundary of Former Victoria Works
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Adjacent Development Limit

