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RE: NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE LOCAL PLAN – PROGRESS AND TIMESCALES

Thank you for your letter dated 10 October 2023 on the above. I apologise for not communicating with you regularly on up-to-date timeframes for submission of outstanding information.

In terms of the definite overall timeframe for submission of information on all outstanding matters, we are saying this will be by Friday 12 January 2024. We will continue to submit information to you as and when it is finalised with a view to getting everything to you sooner than this.

Outstanding information

- Gypsy and Travellers- We have identified an allocation and work on site assessments, proposed modifications to policies and other background work, to evidence this is ongoing. This will also enable us to fully answer your initial questions on this matter.
- Natural England- a full draft Statement of Common Ground was provided to Natural England (NE) on 9/8/23. We had a further meeting on 5/10/23, however NE are still unable to sign up to it as they require more time to look at the SoCG and have also indicated they require more evidence on traffic and air quality as well as recreational pressure. There are likely to be outstanding areas of disagreement and we will certainly have a more precise idea as to what these are and report back to you by the timeframe above, if not before.
- Minerals and Sustainability Appraisal issues- we continue to make progress in responding to these sets of initial questions which are linked, given the SA questions largely relate to Minerals.
- Waste- we continue to make progress in responding to this set of initial questions. It may be of help to us if your following statement is clarified. It is stated in the initial questions on waste that: 'The present order and sequence of policies and supporting text does not effectively set out the strategy for waste.' Bearing in mind no new waste allocations are proposed as existing capacity is already projected to meet future needs over the plan period. Something a little more specific on what changes are needed for the section to constitute an effective strategy in your view would be very helpful, in addition to the issues already alluded to in the questions.

I hope the above provides you with sufficient information on the nature, scope and timescales for the outstanding work we are progressing. It is not our intention to request a pause to the examination.

Yours sincerely,



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