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Dear Mr Berkeley and Mr McCormack

Thank you for your letter of 7th May 2019. We note and welcome your instruction to undertake a public consultation on the proposed modifications to the submitted Local Plan in order to ensure that all interested parties have the opportunity to comment on the proposed modifications to the Plan put forward by the Council along with all of the new evidence.

We confirm that we will undertake the consultation as per the Regulation 19 requirements and will:

- Make a copy of each of the documents listed below and a statement of the representations procedure available in accordance with Regulation 35 and;
- Ensure that a statement of the representations procedure and a statement of the fact that each of the proposed documents are available for inspection and of the places and times at which they can be inspected is sent to each of the general consultation bodies and each of the specific consultation bodies invited to make representations under Regulation 18(1).

The documents which we propose to make available for inspection are as follows:

- A composite modifications schedule with reference numbers for each proposed modification;
- A Sustainability Appraisal of the proposed modifications, this will be presented as an Addendum to the Sustainability Appraisal (May 2018)

[CD008] and will consider the implications for the SA of the proposed changes to the Local Plan in line with the relevant legislation and guidance;

- The updated Habitat Regulations Assessment (HRA) including the visitor surveys undertaken for Strensall Common, Lower Derwent Valley and Skipwith Common presented as appendices a-f of the HRA Update;
- Topic Paper 1: The approach to defining York's Green Belt Addendum and annexes 1 to 6 of the Topic Paper 1 Addendum;
- The Housing Needs Update, GL Hearn dated January 2019;
- The update to the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) Figure 6 (detailed housing trajectory) based on the revised OAHN figure; and
- The updated figures 5.1 and table 5.2 Housing Trajectories based on the revised OAHN figure to 2033 and 2038.

It is proposed that the consultation commences on Monday 10th June 2019 and runs for a period of 6 weeks until Monday 22nd July 2019. This 6 week period is consistent with Regulation 35(3)(b) and the City of York Statement of Community Involvement and will allow progression to the next stage of the process as soon as possible whilst ensuring that all parties have the opportunity to comment on the proposed modifications and new evidence. All consultation material will be live on the Council's website and available in York libraries from this date. The consultation will close at midnight on Monday 22nd July 2019 and representations should be made on a response form which will be made available online or in hard copy from the Council's West Offices reception or from York libraries.

Following the end of the consultation we will provide you with a full set of representations made pursuant to Regulation 22 as soon as possible. We will also provide you with a summary of main issues raised in an addendum to the City of York Local Plan Consultation Statement (Regulation 22 C) May 2018 [CD013A].

We will continue to liaise with the programme officer, Mrs Crookes, regarding the potential dates for the initial hearings and remain committed to progressing the examination as expediently as possible.

Yours Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Neil Ferris', with a stylized, cursive script.

Neil Ferris

Corporate Director - Economy and Place