

## Jessica Wells

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**To:** CHEC Planning Ltd  
**Cc:** Cllr Marian Dain; Jessica Wells  
**Subject:** Update on Ecchinswell, Sydmonton and Bishops Green Neighbourhood Plan  
**Attachments:** Letter to B&D BC ref NP following Woodside View Decision 20 Dec 2022.pdf

Dear Ms Cheesley

I am writing to provide you with an update on some changes that have occurred since the Ecchinswell, Sydmonton and Bishops Neighbourhood Plan was submitted to the Local Planning Authority (LPA).

The Plan was submitted to the LPA on 24 October 2022 and the Regulation 16 consultation commenced on 7 November. The Plan includes two housing allocations for approximately 15 dwellings at Land south of Rooksfield and approximately 5 dwellings at Land south of the Ecchinswell Road to meet the indicative housing requirement that the LPA had provided to the parish council (in line with NPPF para 67).

However, on 7 December, the council resolved to approve a planning application for up to 42 new dwellings at Woodside View in Bishops Green (22/00174/OUT). When this planning consent is issued, subject to it being implemented, it will meet and exceed Bishops Green's identified minimum housing requirement.

Given this change in circumstances, the parish council has engaged with residents to consider how best to proceed, and the LPA has provided updated advice about the parish's indicative housing requirement (attached to the LPA's Reg 16 consultation comments). In light of the above, and following consideration of the extent to which the consent would affect the plan's vision, objectives and policies, Ecchinswell, Sydmonton and Bishops Green Parish Council has confirmed that they wish to continue with the examination (please see attached letter). The LPA agrees with the assessment in the parish council's letter and would support the Plan being examined without delay.

The LPA will publish this correspondence on our website alongside the other examination documents.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards

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