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Sent: 27 November 2014 15:45
To: Katharine Makant
Cc: Cllr Sven Godesen
Subject: RE: Basingstoke & Deane Local Plan Examination - Exploratory Meeting (Speakers - issues)

Dear Katherine,

I refer to your email and confirm I wish to speak on 11th December, 2014 with regard to 2 concerns raised by the Inspector in his letter d.d. 21st October, 2014. These concerns are as follows:-

Ref 1. Sustainable Development and the Sustainability Appraisal - I wish to comment on the fact that I do not believe that the current Plan is Sound as the Site Selection has not adhered to the NPPF in relation to the failure to apply the Sequential Test as required in Para 100 and Para 101 of the NPPF. The Site Selection has not objectively applied the conclusions of the Sustainability Appraisal. There were other Category 1 Sites (such as BAS133 Hounsme Fields (adjacent to SS3.2) page 199 of the Volume 1 SA January 2013) which have been discarded by the Council which should have been brought forward before SS 3.9 was selected as per the Sustainability Appraisal as they scored considerably lower Flood risk rankings than SS3.9. As per the Sequential Test in Para 100 and Para 101 of the NPPF such other Sites should have been selected first as they have "a lower probability of flooding". The conclusions in the Sustainability Appraisal would seem to agree.

Ref 3. Environment Issues- I should like to comment on the proximity of The Sewage Treatment Works and the Incinerator to 2 proposed sites (SS 3.7 and SS3.9) . Both the Incinerator and the Sewage Treatment Works were purposefully sited where they are in order to be situated as far away from human habitation as possible. This Plan proposes to build houses immediately adjoining these 2 Plants. How will mitigation of the environmental impacts of the Incinerator and Sewage Treatment Works on these proposed sites be realistically achieved?

Also, how will the Council realistically achieve an improvement in Water Quality? How will the Council mitigate the impact of increased sewage into the River Loddon? What has happened to the monitoring devices that were supposed to have already been put in place on The River Loddon downstream from the Sewage Treatment Works to monitor the flow and the quality of the River?

Kind regards

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