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To: Clerk Old Basing; Old Basing 2 of 2; Edward Rehill
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Sandra, David and Edward

I am writing to set out how I intend to undertake the examination of the Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan. My role is to determine whether the Plan meets the Basic Conditions. I intend to ensure that the Parish Council feels part of the process. As such, I will copy the Parish Council into all correspondence, apart from contractual matters that are dealt with direct with the local planning authority. Likewise, please can you all ensure that any correspondence from you is copied to the other parties. This will ensure fairness and transparency throughout the process.

Edward will remain my main point of contact until Friday and until he informs me of the name of the officer taking over his duties. Once I have read all the papers, I may ask for any missing documents or seek clarification on some matters. It may be appropriate for me to seek clarification on matters from the Parish Council. I must emphasise very strongly that this does not mean that I will accept new evidence. In the interest of fairness to other parties, I cannot accept new evidence other than in exceptional circumstances. If the Parish Council is unsure as to whether information it is submitting may constitute new evidence, may I suggest that you send it to Edward in the first instance for his opinion.

Please can all Regulation 16 representations, or just the summary of these representations, be placed on the local planning authority's web site. In addition, please can copies of the 2 emails dated 18/12 2017 from David Whiter with links to evidence documents be placed on the web site. It may be appropriate to highlight these links on the web page. Lastly, please can the email from Becky Hopkinson regarding Historic England be placed on the web site. If there is future correspondence regarding matters of clarification, I will ask for those to be similarly made available.

It may be that there is very little correspondence from me during the examination. I will endeavour to keep you all up to date on the progress of the examination. The default is for an examination to be conducted without a hearing. If I feel one is necessary, I will inform you both as early as possible, but this is likely to be near the end the examination process. If I do intend to hold a hearing, I will inform you of the procedure at that time.

I will be visiting the Parish during the examination. I will not need to be accompanied during my visit.

I will issue a draft report for fact checking by both parties. I will ask you both to check my report for factual errors such as dates, sequence of events, names and so on that might need to be corrected. The report will be confidential and must not be presented to a public meeting. I must emphasise that this is not an opportunity to make comments on the report other than those that

relate to factual errors. In particular, I will not be inviting, and will not accept, comment on any suggested modifications. The draft report will only be published as the final version if there are no factual errors found and if there is no other reason, such as a sudden change in national policy, that could be significant to my recommendations. I will endeavour to issue my final report shortly after the fact checking stage.

At the end of the examination, I would welcome feedback as to whether the way the examination has been conducted has enabled the Parish Council to feel included in the process.

I have not yet read all the documents, but I have noticed that I do not have links to all the background evidence in Appendix 5. Please can I have links to the following:

The Village Design Statement 2006

South East River Basin District RBMP 2015

Thames River Basin Management Plan 2015

Water Framework Directive 2000

Please can I have the link to the Green Infrastructure Strategy for Basingstoke and Deane 2013 – 2029 (referred to on page 26 in the Plan)

Please can I have the link to the Neighbourhood Housing Stock Analysis for Basingstoke and Deane March 2009 (referred to on page 40 in the Plan).

The SEA Report does not include copies of the correspondence from the three statutory authorities. Please can I have copies.

Please can you let me know the location of the site for the scout hut on the edge of Hodds Lane Cope. Is it within or outside of the area proposed as Local Green Space?

Please can this email, together with all the links requested, be placed on the BDBC web site. I would appreciate a prompt response if possible.

If any of you have any questions regarding the examination process at this stage, please do not hesitate to contact me via email.

Kind Regards

Janet Cheesley