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Dear Miss Graham

South Cambridgeshire Local Plan – Targeted consultation with landowners of Local Green Space

The South Cambridgeshire Proposed Submission Local Plan was submitted for examination in March 2014 and contained a policy for Local Green Spaces (LGS). In the same month as the Local Plan was being submitted for examination the Government published the National Planning Practice Guidance (NPPG) which included more advice on LGS notably that owners of land proposed for allocation in a Local Plan should be contacted during the plan making process to have the opportunity to comment on the proposal. The Council is aware that it must take into account national guidance for the Local Plan and therefore considered in detail the changes resulting from the publication of the NPPG.

In July 2014 the Council sought your view on the appropriateness of providing an additional opportunity for landowners to make comments on proposed LGS which was on their land. It was agreed that a consultation could take place with them to provide an opportunity for them to submit late representations only in respect of the LGS allocation on their land.

A consultation was carried out by the Council at the end of 2014 and a report about this taken to a Planning Portfolio Holder meeting in March 2015.

The Council has now acknowledged all the representations received during this targeted consultation with landowners and has added documents relating to this consultation to the examination reference library. These documents are as follows:

- RD/Sub/SC/101: South Cambridgeshire Representations to Local Green Space Consultation (October – December 2014) – the representations received during the consultation
- RD/NE/240: South Cambridgeshire Local Plan – Targeted Consultation with Landowners of Local Green Space - a note explaining the background to the consultation
- RD/CR/620: Planning Portfolio Holder Report – March 2015 – committee report which considered any changes proposed as a result of the consultation

Yours sincerely

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