Examination of the Great Abington Former Land Settlement Association (LSA) Estate Neighbourhood Plan

Response to Examiner's Clarification Questions from South Cambridgeshire District Council (SCDC)

This document provides SCDC's response to the questions for the District Council on the Great Abington Former LSA Estate Neighbourhood Plan raised by the Examiner, Andrew Ashcroft, in his clarification note dated 19 June 2018.

Q: Points for Clarification for the District Council

What is the current position with regards to the examination of the emerging Local Plan? In particular when is the inspectors' report anticipated? Thereafter what is the anticipated timetable for the adoption of that Plan?

A: Response from SCDC

The South Cambridgeshire Local Plan was submitted by SCDC to the Secretary of State for examination on 28 March 2014. Examination hearings were held between November 2014 and July 2017.

Public consultation on Main Modifications that the Inspectors considered may be necessary in order for the South Cambridgeshire Local Plan to be found sound was undertaken in January - February 2018, and the representations received were submitted to the Inspectors in March 2018.

The District Council are awaiting receipt of the Inspectors' Report.

Having recently sought an update from the Planning Inspectorate on the timing of the Inspectors' Report for the South Cambridgeshire Local Plan, the District Council expects to receive the fact check Inspectors' Report imminently. The Planning Inspectorate also advised that the final report is likely to be completed in July 2018.

If the Inspectors conclude that the South Cambridgeshire Local Plan, with modifications, can be found 'sound' it will be adopted at a meeting of SCDC's full Council. There is a scheduled meeting of SCDC's full Council on 27 September 2018. However a special meeting of SCDC's full Council may be held in late August / early September 2018 specifically to adopt the South Cambridgeshire Local Plan if considered appropriate, depending on the exact timing of the receipt of the Inspectors' Report.