28 November, 2018

Dear Representor,

Independent Examination of the Epping Forest District Local Plan (2011-2033)

Following my letter of 14 October, 2018 when I notified you of the Inspector’s appointment, I am now able to inform you of the dates of the hearing sessions of the Examination of the Epping Forest Local Plan.

All the hearing sessions will take place at Epping Forest District Council, Civic Offices, 323 High Street, Epping, Essex CM16 4BZ and will open on Tuesday 12th February, 2019 at 10.00 am.

Please find attached the following documents which relate to the hearing sessions of the Examination:-

• ED5 Inspector’s Matters and Issues
• ED6 Inspector’s Guidance Notes for the Examination
• ED7 Provisional Hearings Programme

The Inspector’s Guidance Notes set out the procedures which will be followed during the Examination, including full details on the provision of hearing statements (para 17-22) and participation at the hearing sessions (paras 23-28).

Please Note: If you would like to participate at the hearing sessions you will need to notify me of this, even if you indicated earlier that you wished to take part in the hearing sessions.

Set out below are the key dates for the examination:-
• **Deadline** to confirm with me whether you wish to exercise the right to be heard if you made a relevant representation seeking a change to the Plan, indicating the appropriate Matter and the hearing session: **Friday 21 December at 5.00pm**

**Deadlines for Hearing Statements (both hard copies and electronic copies)**

- Statements relating to issues being discussed in weeks one and two (12 - 26 February) **Thursday 24 January 5.00pm**
- Statements relating to issues being discussed in weeks three and four (19 - 27 March) **Thursday 21 February 5.00pm**
- Statements relating to issues being discussed in weeks five and six (14 - 23 May) **Thursday 25 April 5.00pm**
- Hearing sessions open: **Tuesday 12 February 2019 at 10.00 am**

If anything is unclear or you have any queries please contact me either by phone or email and I will be happy to help.

Yours sincerely,

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