## Examination of the Epping Forest District Local Plan 2011 - 2033

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Mr. Nigel Richardson, Planning Service Director, Epping Forest District Council

## By email only

Dear Mr. Richardson,

## **Epping Forest Local Plan Examination**

I am very pleased to have been appointed to continue the examination into the Epping Forest Local Plan. My aim is to help the Council bring the plan to a sound and adoptable state as soon as possible.

A great deal of hard work has already been carried out by the Council and by Inspector Ms Phillips and it is not my intention to go over old ground without very good reason. From my consideration of all the examination material, including the responses to the main modifications consultation, I think it unlikely that I will be recommending further large scale substantive changes to key aspects of the plan, including the general amount of development, the spatial strategy or the choice of allocated sites; and at this point I do not envisage holding any further hearings.

However, for clarity and soundness a number of wording changes will be required both to the original text of the submitted plan and to some of the main modifications that have already been consulted upon.

I am preparing a schedule for the Council which will contain the necessary changes and the reasons for them. The schedule will, as far as possible, set out the actual words for inclusion and the passages for deletion; if this is not possible, it will give clear guidance on what needs to be done. It will also contain a small number of questions. The schedule will be with the Council next week.

Any new and amended main modifications, once agreed, will need to be published for consultation.

I am happy to answer questions of clarification from the Council, but I am not inviting responses from any other party.

Yours sincerely,

## Jonathan Bore

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c.c. Ms. Vicki Willis, Epping Forest District Council