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Dear Consultee.

Ipswich Local Plan Public Consultation Core Strategy and Policies Development Plan Document (DPD) Review Site Allocations and Policies (incorporating IP-One Area Action Plan) DPD

The purpose of this letter is to update you on progress of the preparation of a new Local Plan for Ipswich, which sets out the policies to determine planning applications and identifies sites for future development and appropriate land use to 2031. Following a public examination of the Local Plan by an independent Planning Inspector during 2016, a number of changes have been proposed by the Inspector for public consultation before he can issue his final report of the examination.

The Inspector is inviting comments on the changes proposed to the Plan, between 20th October and 1st December 2016. These changes are shown as Post-Submission Main Modifications to the two above local planning documents. The enclosed Notice of Consultation indicates where the documents are available for inspection and sets out the procedure for making representations.

Representations may only be made in relation to the Post-Submission Main Modifications and not on other parts of the plans. Representations should be made in respect of the effect of the modification(s) on the Plan's soundness, which is whether the plans are founded on a robust and credible evidence base and are the most appropriate strategy for Ipswich. The land use policies must be deliverable and flexible. Representations must be received no later than 11:45pm on Thursday 1st December 2016. If you submitted representations to the consultations undertaken between 12th December 2014 and 5th March 2015, and/or between 9th October and 23rd November 2015, the Inspector has considered these during the examination and there is no need to make these again.

You are invited to attend exhibitions on Thursday 3rd November 2016 between 11am and 3pm in the Pickwick Room, Ipswich Town Hall, and on Tuesday 8th November 2016 between 4pm and 8pm in the Orwell Room at Ipswich Borough Council's offices at Grafton House, Russell Road. Details about the consultation are also available on the Ipswich Borough website at www.ipswich.gov.uk/consultations.

Yours faithfully,

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Ipswich Borough Council Local Plan Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 Town & Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012

Notice of Consultation

- (1) Proposed Submission Core Strategy and Policies Development Plan Document (DPD) Review Post-Submission Main Modifications
- (2) Proposed Submission Site Allocations and Policies (incorporating IP-One Area Action Plan) DPD Post-Submission Main Modifications

The Ipswich Local Plan was submitted to the Secretary of State for Examination in December 2015 and consists of the Core Strategy & Policies Review and the Site Allocations & Policies (incorporating IP-One Area Action Plan) development plan documents. The Examination hearing sessions took place in March and June/July 2016. The Inspector has written to the Council to confirm the Examination can proceed to consultation on the Post-Submission Main Modifications.

The Inspector is inviting comments on the Post-Submission Main Modifications to the Ipswich Local Plan Submission Version November 2014 as amended in September 2015. Main Modifications are those, which the Inspector considers are necessary to make the plan sound / and or legally compliant. Main Modifications are proposed without prejudice to the Inspector's final conclusion on the Local Plan which will take account of all representations submitted in response to this consultation. This is not an opportunity to raise again matters relating to other parts of the submitted Local Plan that have already been considered by the Inspector during the Examination. The Inspector will only consider representations from this consultation which relate to the Main Modifications.

The consultation period will commence at 9am on Thursday 20th October 2016 and conclude at 11.45pm on Thursday 1st December 2016. The Council is also inviting representations on the accompanying Sustainability Appraisals and Habitats Regulations Assessments with addenda where they relate to the Post-Submission Main Modifications. A schedule of Additional Modifications, which are minor changes to update the Local Plan, are published, however these are for information only.

Representations may only be made in writing and can be e-mailed or posted to Planning and Development Business Support, at the address below, to reach us by **no later than 11:45pm** on **Thursday 1st December 2016**. Forms are available via the website or in paper copy at the exhibitions and locations listed below. Only representations received within this period have a statutory right to be considered by the Inspector.

Inspection of documents:

The consultation documents will be available for inspection from Thursday 20th October 2016 on the Council's website (www.ipswich.gov.uk/consultations) and at the following locations:

- ☐ The Customer Services Centre, Town Hall, Cornhill, Ipswich (weekdays 8.30am to 5.00pm);
- The **Ipswich County Library**, Northgate Street, Ipswich (Mon, Weds, Thurs 9.00am to 6.00pm; Tues, Fri 9.00am to 7.00pm; Sat 8.30am to 5.00pm and Sun 10.00am to 4.00pm);
- **Branch libraries** across Ipswich (Broomhill, Chantry, Gainsborough open Mon-Sun various opening hours; Rosehill, Stoke open Tues-Sun various opening hours);
- Grafton House Reception, 15-17 Russell Road, Ipswich (Mon-Fri 8.30am to 5.00pm).

Copies of the consultation documents will be available free on CD, subject to availability, from the exhibitions or at Grafton House by request. Paper copies will be available at cost of printing plus P&P.

Drop-in exhibition:

Officers will be available to answer questions at the drop-in exhibitions, which will be held on Thursday 3rd November 2016 between 11am and 3pm in the Pickwick Room, Town Hall and on Tuesday 8th November 2016 between 4pm and 8pm in the Orwell Room at Grafton House, Russell Road.

Date of notice: October 2016 e-mail: planningpolicy@ipswich.gov.uk



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