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Dear Natalie,

Pre-examination checklist for local plans prepared under the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004

Local Plan for the Broads 2021 to 2042: matters to address before submission for examination

Thank you for completing the pre-examination checklist which we received on Friday 30 January 2026.

Based on the answers that you provided to the checklist questions and a review of the explanations for some of the answers and relevant parts of documents referred to, I recommend that you address the following matters before submitting the Local Plan for the Broads 2021 to 2042 for examination.

Representations made under Regulation 20

The Authority's response to Q2.20 states that all of the representations made under regulation 20 are ready to be posted on the examination website. I note from the Authority's website that two consultations were carried out under regulation 19. All of the representations made under regulation 20 in response to both consultations should be published on the examination website [CR1].

Regulation 22 consultation statement

The consultation statement referred to in the Authority's response to Q2.18 should be finalised and submitted with the Plan and other documents. This should provide the information referred to in Q2.18 parts (a) and (b) for both consultations carried out under regulation 19 [CR2].

Housing Topic Paper

The Housing Topic Paper referred to in the responses to Q3.5 and Q3.10 should be finalised and submitted with the Plan. This should summarise the Authority's evidence of housing need for all groups in the community (including travellers and boat dwellers) and, if applicable, why the Plan does not meet any of those needs in full with reference to NPPF paragraph 11b [CR3].

Next steps

Once you have addressed the above matters I suggest that you submit the Plan and other documents under regulation 22 as soon as possible. When you have done so, we will seek to appoint an Inspector (or Inspectors) to conduct the examination in accordance with the timescales set out in the Service Level Agreement.

The completed checklist that we received on 30 January 2026 and this letter should be published on the examination website in due course along with the Plan and other submission and supporting documents.

Please note that this is not an assessment of whether the Plan satisfies all relevant legal requirements and is sound as that will be determined by the examining Inspector(s) who will take account of all the Authority's evidence, representations made under regulation 20, and any further information gathered during the examination. It is also possible that the examining Inspector(s) may have concerns about procedural matters, the scope of the plan, or evidence that I have not identified from the pre-examination checklist.

Yours

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