

# INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION OF THE LINBY NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER:  
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To: Liz Gretton and Denise Ireland at Linby Parish Council  
and Joanna Gray, Alison Gibson and Seb Wilkins at Gedling Borough Council

Dated 7 March 2019

Dear All

## **Linby Neighbourhood Development Plan Independent Examination – Update on progress**

I wrote to you on 20 February 2019 setting out how I intended to undertake the Independent Examination of the Linby Neighbourhood Development Plan.

I have now read through the Neighbourhood Plan and all supporting documents, and Regulation 16 representations, and have not identified any points that require clarification. I have also decided a hearing will not be necessary. I reserve the ability, at any time before I issue my final report, to call a hearing if I consider this is necessary to ensure adequate examination of any issue, or to allow a person a fair chance to put a case. I provided the Parish Council with an opportunity to comment on the Regulation 16 representations of other parties. I have not received any comments from the Parish Council in this respect so I will proceed to draft my report.

As soon as it has reached a suitably advanced stage of preparation, and before I undertake my final checks, it is my intention to send a confidential draft of my report of Independent Examination to both the Parish Council and the Borough Council. I will be sending the draft report for fact checking only, so that I may correct any errors of fact. I normally ask for a response within a few days and this has usually been found to be sufficient.

If either Council share the draft with other parties please ensure the confidential and draft status of the document is made clear. This fact check procedure should not be seen as an opportunity to make further representations. Indeed, it is important that this should not occur as if I were to take into consideration further representations at that stage, this could leave the process open to successful challenge.

I would be grateful if both the Parish Council and the Borough Council could, within the next couple of days, confirm agreement to be given the opportunity to undertake a fact check of my confidential draft report on the terms set out in this email. Please publish this email on the Borough Council website so that the examination process is open and transparent to all interested parties.

Best regards  
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