



For attention of Andrew S Freeman Examiner Dordon Neighbourhood Plan
Cc Susan Wilson
North Warwickshire Borough Council

2 May 2023

Dear Mr Freeman

I am responding on behalf of Dordon Parish Council to your Fact Check Version of the Examination Report dated 25 April 2023. The Parish Council thanks you for the opportunity to review your Report for fact checking and makes the following comments.

The Parish Council have the following matters that they would like to clarify to ensure the Examination Report is factually accurate.

In Para 3.7 you state 'The Consultation Statement is supposed to summarise the main issues and issues raised by the persons consulted and describe how these issues and concerns have been considered and, where relevant, addressed. In respect of residents' responses, this information is missing from the Statement.'

The Parish Council politely contend that the Consultation Statement, Page 11 Figure 1 does show the feedback from the community survey that was completed by the residents. There were 77 responses gathered by asking people to complete the survey at community events or online. The survey was available on the dedicated neighbourhood plan web site <https://dordon.neighbourhoodplan.uk> and its findings are summarised at <https://www.dordonparishcouncil.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plan>

Figure 1, page 11 shows the overwhelming support for the Neighbourhood Plan policies. There were no specific comments or where people disagreed with the policy approach. The Consultation Statement does show the residents' responses in this regard, and the Parish Council request that para 3.7 be amended.

Para 4.37 and 4.38 is a point of factual clarification. The Design Guidance and Code was not appended to the Plan due to file size. The Design Guidance and Code is the local Design Code for the area (see NPPF para 129) and was produced by urban designers working on behalf of AECOM as part of the Locality programme on Neighbourhood Planning. It was listed as Appendix G in the first pre submission draft but, based on the first Regulation 14 comments it was removed as an Appendix reference for the second Regulation 14. The document is intended to provide local design guidance to inform planning applications. It is accepted that the Design Guidance and Code is not a Supplementary Planning Document. The Parish Council request that wording that requires proposals to be 'in accordance with' rather than 'have regard to' would better reflect the value of the local analysis.

In para 1.3 it is stated that Polesworth is mainly beyond the river Anker. The Parish Council politely contend that there is a lot of Polesworth on the left side of the River Anker (when



facing downstream) and this is right up to Birchwood school. The Parish Council suggest wording 'bisected by the River Anker' would be more accurate.

The Parish Council note your request on page 7 for the Reg 16 consultation and SEA screening to be available on the LPA web site and have asked Mrs Sue Wilson at NWBC to address this matter.

Your sincerely

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on behalf of Dordon Parish Council