

9 February 2012

Dear Mr Pike

**Selby District Core Strategy Examination
Section 112 of Localism Act 2011 and Sections 20 – 23 of the Planning and
Compulsory Purchase Act 2004**

Further to your note of 31 January 2012, the Council is keen to proceed as has been envisaged in accordance with the agreed timetable in order that we can have a Core Strategy capable of adoption. The Council is pleased that the scheduled hearing sessions of the reconvened EIP have been agreed for the 17, 18 and 19 of April 2012.

As you are aware, the Council published Proposed Changes at various stages since the formal Submission of the Core Strategy to the Secretary of State in May 2011. The changes were proposed in order to either clarify and improve the Core Strategy text and policies or seek to rectify soundness issues. They were proposed at Submission stage in response to representations received following Publication in January 2011 and both prior to and during the September 2011 EIP in response to the 'Matters and Issues' and following debate with third parties at the hearings.

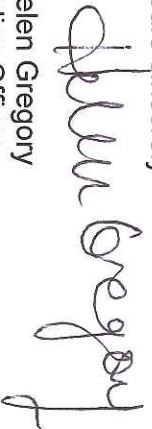
The Council therefore formally requests, under section 20(7C), that you consider the Council's published proposed changes as the main modifications, when examining the legal compliance and soundness tests.

The amended section 23(3) differentiates between "main modifications", which have to be recommended by the Inspector, and "additional modifications" which do not materially affect the policies of the plan and which can now be made by the local planning authority on adoption without the need to be examined.

Therefore, for the avoidance of doubt the Council considers that the "main modifications" are those annotated with a "YES" in the final column of the published Composite Schedule of all Proposed Changes, January 2012 (Core Document CS/CD2e).

It should be noted however, that because the Council is currently consulting on the Proposed Changes, the Council may request further modifications up to and during the EIP as necessary or appropriate in the light of the representations which may be received and discussion at the planned hearing sessions, and in particular taking into account any views expressed by yourself on matters of soundness.

Yours sincerely



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