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Cumbria County Council

Local Development Framework

Independent Examination

23 February 2012

Dear Sir/Madam

The County Council submitted the Site Allocations Policies and Proposals Map Development Plan Document (DPD) to the Secretary of State on 3 February 2012. The examination has therefore started and the appointed Inspector has asked me, as Programme Officer, to gather some information from you to assist preparation for the hearing session(s).

The Inspector is required only to consider whether the submitted DPD is legally compliant and sound. Representations that it is not should indicate the changes that need to be made in order for it to become so. The Inspector will consider all such representations and will give equal weight to those made in writing or orally at a hearing session. However, where a person seeking a change to the DPD requests to be given the chance to appear before and be heard by the Inspector, that opportunity must be given. The purpose of this letter is to find out if that is your wish.

You will be able to see the response of the County Council to your representation in Document RSAP5 on the examination web site which can be found at: [http://www.cumbria.gov.uk/planning-environment/planning/policy/minerals\\_waste/mwdf/RSAP.asp](http://www.cumbria.gov.uk/planning-environment/planning/policy/minerals_waste/mwdf/RSAP.asp).

In order that I and the Inspector may construct the hearing programme, I would be very grateful if you could indicate to me by noon on 28 February whether you are content to rely on your written response to the County's consultation during October-December 2011, any further written statement you may wish to make having seen the Inspector's Issues and Questions or whether you would wish to present your points orally at the relevant hearing session.

Yours sincerely

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