

Dear Councillors Beecher, Button, Nichols and Sexton,

I refer to your email dated 19 May 2023.

I have noted your request for a pause in the examination hearings to allow for the 22 newly elected members to be brought up to speed with the policies and provisions of the proposed Local Plan. However, any such request would need to come from the Council formally through the officers. I therefore forwarded your email to the Council's planning team on Friday through the Programme Officer. I have also asked that the Chief Executive of the Council be made aware of the request.

I have no doubt that officers of the Council will be in contact with you directly and will provide you with the necessary support and guidance you are seeking.

Kindest regards,

*Jameson Bridgwater*

Inspector

22 May 2023