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Dear Sir / Madam

You may remember that I mentioned at the Pre Hearing Meeting the need to ensure the relevant statutory procedures, with regard to modifications, are dealt with appropriately. Consequently, in the event that the Plan needs amending to address soundness, it would be helpful to provide an indication of how you will wish me to proceed.

In order for me to make modifications to the Plan the Council will need to formally notify me whether you wish to request modifications under section 20(7C) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended). If you do wish to suggest main modifications necessary for soundness, my report will focus on these, and an update to the sustainability appraisal may also be needed.

However, in the absence of a request from the Council under section 20(7C), my report will be confined to identifying any soundness failures and, if there are such failures, recommending non-adoption of the Plan. Consequently, an indication of the Council's position on main modifications at this stage will be advantageous to the efficiency of the examination process and the expectation of participants.

Yours faithfully

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