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**cc:** The Programme Officer;  
**Subject:** Re: Site SR011 Land off Wham Lane  
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Kezia,

We have noted the council's response to our 'Supplementary Input to the Examination Hearing Site SR011-Land off Wham Lane' submitted to yourselves and the Programme Officer on 8<sup>th</sup> March.

We now have a better understanding of what might constitute a rural exception site and acknowledge that such a re-classification would not be compatible with our visionary proposal for New Longton.

Does the Council have a target date for completion of the updated Strategic Housing Market Assessment (SHMA) showing the up to date picture of housing needs across the borough in terms of affordable and special needs housing, and how this might impact on the settlement of New Longton, and other settlements within the borough?

The fact that New Longton as a settlement was not listed in the hierarchy of Policy 1 seems to us to have been a purely arbitrary decision taken at the very earliest stage of the process.

It would seem to us that New Longton's long term future viability was compromised from the beginning and one has to ask the question, why?

Is it reasonable to expect the residents of New Longton to wait until 2026 and beyond before the serious issues highlighted in our

submission to the Inspector can be addressed?

We are still of the opinion that our proposal is right for New Longton.

Kind Regards

Geoffrey Dawson

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