Lichfield District Council Examination of the Lichfield District Council Local Plan 2040

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Dear Mr Fletcher

Inspectors' response to the Council's letter of 31 August 2023

1. Thank you for your letter dated 31 August 2023.

- 2. We note that Lichfield District Council's Cabinet will consider a Local Plan Update report on 5 September 2023 and understand that this report proposes to recommend the withdrawal of the Lichfield District Council Local Plan 2040 from Examination. If withdrawal is agreed at Cabinet, this would necessitate a decision on the withdrawal being made by Full Council. This is timetabled for 17 October 2023.
- 3. As you are aware, the 12 month pause previously granted to the Council is due to end on 11 October 2023. In the interest of having a full understanding of the decisions reached by the Council on 5 September and 17 October 2023, we are content to allow a further pause in the Examination until no later than 10 November 2023.
- 4. Following the two meetings, we request that the Council provides updates via the Programme Officer as swiftly as possible on the decisions reached by Cabinet and Full Council.
- 5. In the interests of transparency, please place this letter on the Examination website. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us via the Programme Officer.

Yours sincerely

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