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EXAMINATION OF THE RYEDALE PLAN - LOCAL PLAN SITES DOCUMENT

17 May 2018

Dear Sir/Madam,

On the 29th March 2018, Ryedale District Council formally submitted the Ryedale Plan-Local Plan Sites Document to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government.

The Secretary of State has appointed Inspector Caroline Mulloy BSc (Hons) DipTP MRTPI of the Planning Inspectorate to conduct the Examination to determine whether the Plan is sound.

I have been appointed as the Programme Officer for the Examination of the Ryedale Plan – Local Plan Sites Document, and will be assisting the Inspector with all aspects of the examination administration. I am independent of the Council during this process.

The Inspector is currently giving thought to the Hearing sessions that will be required during the Examination. At this stage it is anticipated that they will be held over two weeks towards the end of September and start of October, commencing on Tuesday 25th of September and running for consecutive weeks. Although no dates have yet been formalised, an important element in the organisation of the Hearings is identifying representors who wish to appear and present their representation orally.

In order to assist in drawing up the draft hearings programme I would be grateful if you would confirm whether or not you wish to take part in the hearings and present your representation orally. Please respond to me no later than **Wednesday 6th June 2018** if your intention is to attend the examination hearings. If I do not hear from you by that date, I will presume that you do NOT wish to be invited to participate at the Hearings.

It is important to stress that written representations carry the same weight as those made orally at a Hearing session. Consequently, participation at the Hearings is only necessary if, in light of the matters raised, you have specific points that you wish to contribute at the Hearing, including to any discussion. Participation is also limited to those persons defined in section 20 (6) of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012. This includes any person(s) /organisation that has made representations seeking a change to the Plan at the Publication stage. In making those representation they were received by the Local Planning Authority by the date specified in the statement of representations procedure.

If you wish to keep up-to-date with what is happening, please go to the Examination website at: <https://www.ryedaleplan.org.uk/local-plan-sites/submission-and-forthcoming-examination>.

Copies of all submission documents together with the Examination library are available to download from the website. Reference copies of all documents and supporting evidence submitted to the Secretary of State are also available to view during normal office hours (by appointment) at Ryedale House, Malton, North Yorkshire, YO17 7HH. Please use my contact details to arrange an appointment. Also in local libraries at Helmsley, Kirkbymoorside, Malton, Norton and Pickering during opening hours, details of which are available on North Yorkshire County Council's website.

I will be in contact again when I have further information about the Examination in Public. If you have any further questions about the Examination process, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

James Draper

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Draper', written in a cursive style.

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