

INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION OF THE DOWN AMPNEY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

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Dear Ms Kilminster and Mr Walker

DOWN AMPNEY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN EXAMINATION

Thank you for your responses received on 27 October to the questions appended to my letter of 12 October 2023.

I have received a late Regulation 16 response from Pegasus on behalf of the Co-Operative Group and wish to provide Cotswold District Council and Down Ampney Parish Council with opportunity to comment on any of the matters raised in that response. I have noted the responses to the submissions made at Regulation 14 stage and would be grateful for any further comments by the **10 November 2023** or earlier, if possible.

In view of the timely submission of your response to my letter of the 12 October, I now propose to carry out my unaccompanied site visit this week i.e. beginning 30 October 2023. I would reiterate the advice which was set out in my initial procedural letter:

"The visit will be undertaken unaccompanied. It is very important that I am not approached to discuss any aspects of the Plan or the neighbourhood area, as this may be perceived to prejudice my independence and risk compromising the fairness of the examination process.

Following my site visit, I may have some further questions which seek clarification on matters within the Down Ampney Neighbourhood Development Plan and which I will wish to put to Down Ampney Parish Council and/or Cotswold District Council. If this is necessary, the questions will be set out in a further letter."

In the interests of transparency, may I prevail upon you to ensure that a copy of this letter is placed on both the Down Ampney Parish Council and Cotswold District Council websites. In due course, the response (and any associated documents provided) should also be placed on the websites.

Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Yours sincerely

Wendy Burden

Examiner