## Cheshire East Local Plan Site Allocations and Development Policies Document Examination

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## By email via the Programme Officer

Dear Mr. Owens,

## <u>Examination of Cheshire East Local Plan Site Allocations and Development Policies Document (SADPD) – Revised National Planning Policy Framework, July 2021</u>

Further to my letter of 12 July 2021, as you will be aware, the Government published a revised National Planning Policy Framework (the new Framework) on 20 July 2021.

Paragraph 218 of the new Framework states that plans may need to be revised to reflect the policy changes which it has made. With the exception of the policy on larger-scale development in paragraph 22 of the new Framework, there are no transitional arrangements for the remaining policy changes in the new Framework for Local Plans submitted after 24 January 2019.

One of the tests of soundness in paragraph 35 of the new Framework is consistency with national policy. Therefore, as part of my examination, I will need to consider whether the changes to national policy in the new Framework have any implications for the soundness of the SADPD as submitted, and, if so, how these might be resolved.

I would be grateful if the Council would add this to my list of initial questions (as question 11), and include a response to it in your reply to my letter of 12 July. Please let me know if you need more time to reply.

On receipt of this letter, please would the Council upload it to the Examination library and add a link to it on the Latest news and updates page.

Yours sincerely,

Mike Hayden

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