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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to thank you for the submission of the Stoke Golding Parish Neighbourhood Plan Review proposal under Regulation 15 of The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 submitted to Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council.

Stoke Golding Parish Council commenced review of the made neighbouring plan covering the area of Stoke Golding parish boundary and a small section of Higham on the Hill parish boundary following the successful referendum on the current Neighbourhood Plan in March 2022. Review proposals were subject to public consultation under Regulation 14 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 as amended from 9th May 2023 to 20th June 2023.

Stoke Golding Parish Council is a qualifying body as prescribed by Section 61F of the Localism Act 2011.

The Stoke Golding Neighbourhood Plan Review Proposal is the only such document relevant to the designated plan area and is therefore not considered a repeat proposal for the purposes of Schedule 10, paragraph 5 of the Localism Act 2011.

The Stoke Golding Neighbourhood Plan Review proposal does not include any development which would be defined as 'excluded development' as prescribed by Schedule 9, Section 61k of the Localism Act.

The submission of the Stoke Golding Neighbourhood Plan Proposal to Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council during October 2023 included the following items;

- a) the Consultation Statement which:
 - i. contains details of the persons and bodies who were consulted about the proposed neighbourhood development plan;
 - ii. explains how they were consulted;
 - iii. summarises the main issues and concerns raised by the persons consulted; and
 - iv. describes how these issues and concerns have been considered and, where relevant, addressed in the proposed neighbourhood development plan.

- b) the Stoke Golding Neighbourhood Plan as updated under the Review Proposal;

- c) the Basic Conditions Statement which explains how the proposed neighbourhood development plan meets the requirements of paragraph 8 of Schedule 4B to the 1990 Act and The Regulations. The Basic Conditions Statement also contains:
- i. a map which identifies the area to which the proposed neighbourhood development plan relates;
 - ii. a statement of reasons for the determination that under regulation 9(1) of those Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004(a) the plan proposal requires an environmental assessment; and a statement of the conclusions of the SEA produced independently by AECOM that the effects of implementing the neighbourhood plan would be predominantly positive and neutral, although recommendations were made concerning impacts on the historic environment which have been incorporated into the Submission Version of the Stoke Golding Neighbourhood Plan; and
 - iii. an Equalities Impact Assessment of the proposed neighbourhood development plan; and
- d) a map/statement (within the Basic Conditions Statement) identifying the area to which the plan relates
- e) Minutes of the Stoke Golding Parish Council Meeting on 6 September 2023 which approved the submission.
- f) A Statement (page i of the Stoke Golding Neighbourhood Plan Review) setting out whether or not the qualifying body consider that the modifications contained in the modification proposal are so significant or substantial as to change the nature of the neighbourhood development plan which the modification proposal would modify, giving reasons for why the qualifying body is of this opinion.

The above documents are considered to adequately fulfil the submission requirements under Regulation 15 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 and Schedule 4b of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, as inserted into Schedule 10 of the Localism Act 2011.

Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council are satisfied that the qualifying body of Stoke Golding Parish Council has satisfied the relevant regulatory requirements to advance the Stoke Golding Neighbourhood Plan Review to the Publicity and Consultation Stage (Regulation 16) and subsequent submission of the Neighbourhood Plan proposal for examination.

Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council will undertake the Regulation 16 Publicity consultation stage between Wednesday, 8th November 2023 and 5.00 p.m. on Wednesday, 20th December 2023 and will invite representations from all those previously consulted through the Pre-submission consultation stage (Regulation 14) and any others prescribed by regulation.

Further consultation related information will follow this correspondence once the consultation arrangements have been finalised.

Yours faithfully

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