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Via email

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Date: 15<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Dear Mr Stebbing,

### **TENTERDEN NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN EXAMINATION –QUESTIONS RESPONSE FROM ASHFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL**

Following receipt of the letter dated 16<sup>th</sup> January 2024, please see below responses to the question raised by the Examiner to Ashford Borough Council.

#### ***Question 6: Re. Review of the adopted Ashford Local Plan 2030***

***Can the Borough Council please advise me whether the preparation of the Review of the Ashford Local Plan 2030 to cover the period up to 2041 is progressing in accordance with the timetable contained at pages 7 and 8 and at Appendix 2 to the Borough Council's most recent Local Development Scheme (LDS) (dated March 2023), which envisages the Regulation 18 consultation in the second quarter of 2024?***

#### **Response**

The Council are continuing to actively progress the new Local Plan to 2041 having regard to the latest LDS timetable.

However, the LDS is expected to be reviewed in the second quarter of 2024 which will provide a new timetable for publication of the Local Plan to 2041.

The Council will not be producing a Regulation 18 version of the Plan as envisaged in the current LDS. At this point, the timings are being discussed with elected members



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so no official announcement has yet been made by the Council but it is expected the position will be made public around April 2024.

I hope this response is helpful. If the Examiner or Qualifying body have any further questions or require further assistance, I would be pleased to help.

Kind regards,



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