**Correspondence from Examiner, 17 October 2023**

I note the position of the Council and the developer interests. I have considered the response of the Parish Council.

I have already decided, by my Note 2, that the examination will follow Option 1, postponing the examination until a date after Spring 2004. I do not intend to reopen that decision.

My Note 2 asked for the parties’ views on two Alternatives, set out at paragraphs 9 and 10 of that Note. The Council and the developer interests favour Alternative 2, which was my own provisional preference. The Parish Council express no preference as between the two Alternatives, since they regard neither as acceptable.

My decision is that Alternative 2 will be followed. I expect that the Council will inform me as to key updates—including any material delay in the anticipated Local Plan progress—as matters progress.

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Examiner