4 October 2018

Dear Representor,

**Bolsover District Council Local Plan - Examination in Public**

As a Respondent to the Regulation 19 consultation on the pre submission draft of the Bolsover Local Plan, I am writing to advise you that following submission of the Plan for examination, the Secretary of State has appointed Inspector Karen Baker DipTP MA DipMP MRTPI to carry out the independent examination of the Local Plan. The examination will involve the Inspector determining whether the Plan has been prepared in accordance with the relevant legal requirements and that it is ‘sound’ i.e. positively prepared, justified, effective and consistent with national policy.

I have been appointed as the independent Programme Officer to assist the Inspector with all aspects of the examination and my contact details are set out above. Prior to the hearing sessions of the examination, the Inspector does not have direct contact with either the Council or Representors, and all communications with the Inspector take place through the Programme Officer.

The Inspector is currently appraising the Local Plan and representations and formulating her Matters and Issues for discussion at the hearing sessions. I will be in contact again in the next month or so once the Inspector has completed this work and when I am able to give you further information on the examination and key dates.

The best way to keep in touch with progress in the examination is on the Bolsover Council website which hosts the pages for the examination. Please use the link below, and click on the Latest News and Updates tab where update notes will be posted regularly. Documents submitted to the Examination following appointment of the Inspector are posted on the examination pages under the examination documents tab.


If you would prefer not to receive any further information on the examination, please let me know and I will remove your details from the notification list.

I am your point of contact throughout the examination process, and if you have any queries at any stage of the examination please do not hesitate to contact me and I will be happy to help.

Yours sincerely,

Louise

Louise St John Howe
Programme Officer, Bolsover Local Plan EiP

*The Programme Officer is independent of the Council and works under the direction of the Inspector.*