Independent Examination of Solihull Council Local Development Framework GYPSY AND TRAVELLER SITE ALLOCATIONS DPD

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Sent by email to all respondents

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Dear Sir / Madam

Gypsy and Traveller Site Allocations Development Plan Document (DPD) Examination Appointment of Inspector

I am writing to you regarding the representation that you have submitted to Solihull Council for the Gypsy and Traveller Site Allocations DPD. This plan is now subject to scrutiny by way of an examination, during which time an independent Planning Inspector will consider whether the Plan is "sound". The Secretary of State has appointed Claire Sherratt DIP URP MRTPI to conduct the examination.

I am the Programme Officer for the examination and will deal with all administrative matters. I am independent of the Council and work under the direction of the Inspector. All correspondence for the Inspector should be addressed to me.

The hearing sessions for the examination are expected to commence at 10am on **Tuesday 17 December 2013** at the Civic Suite, Manor Square, Solihull B91 3PX, lasting no more than 2 days. Please find enclosed the Guidance Notes which give further information about the hearings and examination process. A draft programme for the hearings and the Inspector's list of Matters and Issues to be discussed will be circulated nearer the time. There will be an opportunity to make a further written statement addressing the Inspector's Matters and Issues by **5pm on Friday 29 November 2013**.

Please note that representations made in writing carry the same weight as those pursued by a personal appearance at any of the hearing sessions. Under the current regulations, only those who have made a duly-made representation seeking some change to the plan are normally entitled to take part in the hearing sessions. If you wish to participate in the hearing sessions, please could you confirm this by 7 October 2013.

The examination library is maintained by the Programme Officer and is located at Connect, Ground floor, Solihull Central Library, Homer Road, Solihull B91 3RG. Library documents and updates will also be posted on the examination website (address at top of this page).

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further queries.

Yours faithfully,

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