

Stroud District Local Plan Review Examination

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Dear Mr Cleere

Stroud District Local Plan Review Examination

I refer to your letter dated 28 February 2024. This requests a short extension to the Examination pause timescale to take account of lead in times for the planned additional work.

In our letter dated 18 December 2023 we asked the Council to carefully consider the length of any pause and we stated that ‘...further work may well realistically require a pause in the Examination of close to 12 months.’ Nevertheless, in your January response you requested seven months for the additional work and three months for the consultation and reporting process. Accordingly, we have agreed to your request for a 10 month pause to the Examination.

You confirm in your most recent letter that the timetable set out in the November 2023 Joint Action Plan (JAP) remains deliverable and achievable. You also state that all parties have agreed to and accept our timetable. As such, we see no reason at this stage to extend the deadline.

We therefore anticipate the Examination resuming on 5 December 2024. Initially, we will need several weeks to consider the evidence and consultation responses received, to determine any further questions and our next steps. Taking this and the Christmas and New Year holiday period into account, we consider that any future potential hearing sessions would likely be held in spring 2025.

In the meantime, we look forward to receiving the revised supplementary action plan at your earliest convenience.

If you have any further queries on this please do not hesitate to contact us through the Programme Officer.

Yours sincerely

Victoria Lucas and Yvonne Wright

Inspectors appointed to examine the Stroud District Local Plan Review