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25 April 2024

Dear Inspectors,

South Worcestershire Development Plan – Further response to EXAM6 – Work programme

Further to the Councils' initial response (EXAM 6A) a work programme is enclosed that sets out how the Councils will seek to meet requirements for the completion and submission of updated and outstanding evidence documents, including a refresh of any evidence documents which may be at risk of having been overtaken by events or was more than two years old on submission of the Plan. The work plan is included at Appendix A. This programme has been agreed with by relevant stakeholders including Worcestershire County Council, and there is also ongoing dialogue with National Highways regarding the Transport Model and a series of meetings are taking place with them.

In addition to Appendix A and as is usual practice, the Councils will also provide an updated housing trajectory and monitoring report, a revised housing topic paper and a five year housing land supply report update for 23/24. This will be provided upon completion of monitoring.

We remain entirely supportive of your positive approach in front loading the examination process and we are committed to delivering a Local Plan Review for the benefit of residents and businesses of South Worcestershire.

We hope that this information is useful and will allow you to plan for your initial review of this evidence and the scheduling of examination hearings. If you have any further questions about the work we are doing regarding the evidence or queries about the work programme at Appendix A, please do not hesitate to let us know.

Yours sincerely,

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**Appendix A – South Worcestershire Development Plan work programme
(April 2024)**

Item	Proposed deadline
<p>Analysis of Proposed Policies against December 2023 Written Ministerial Statement Resource: SWC Officers</p>	End June 2024
<p>Habitat Regulation Assessment Report Update on Habitat Regulation Assessment (CD6 and CD7) Resource: SWC Officers and external consultant</p>	
<p>Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment Update on the Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment 2019 (HOU3) Resource: SWC Officers and external consultant</p>	
<p>Retail and Town Centres Study Update on Retail and Town Centres Study 2019 and 2020 (ECO12, EXAM4 and EXAM4A – EXAM4C) Resource: SWC Officers and external consultant</p>	
<p>Economic Development Needs Assessment Update on the Economic Development Needs Assessment 2022 (ECO1 – ECO11) Resource: SWC Officers and external consultant</p>	
<p>Economic Land Monitoring Report to 31 March 2023 Resource: SWC Officers</p>	
<p>Areas of Informal Recreation Allocations Update on Areas of Informal Recreation Allocations 2022 (ALL1) Resource: SWC Officers and external consultant</p>	
<p>Historic Environment Topic Paper Update Update on Historic Environment Topic Paper 2022 (SP24 – SP26) Resource: SWC Officers and external consultant</p>	
<p>Housing Requirements for Designated Neighbourhood Areas Update HOU6 with 2021 Census data Resource: SWC Officers</p>	

<p>Transport Modelling (SWTM) with sensitivity analysis Resource: Worcestershire County Council, National Highways, external consultants and SWC Officers</p>	<p>30 August 2024</p>
<p>Infrastructure Delivery Plan Update on Infrastructure Delivery Plan 2022 (INF1) and incorporating output from updated evidence documents and Transport Modelling with sensitivity analysis. Resource: SWC Officers and external consultant</p>	<p>31 October 2024</p>
<p>SWDPR Viability Evidence Review Update on SWDPR and Community Infrastructure Levy Viability Review 2022 (VIA1) and incorporating output from updated evidence documents.</p> <p>Update on Retail and Commercial Community Infrastructure Levy Viability Review 2022 (VIA2) and incorporating output from updated evidence documents.</p> <p>Update on Strategic Site Local Plan Viability Report 2022 (VIA3) and incorporating output from updated evidence documents and Transport Modelling with sensitivity analysis.</p> <p>Resource for all above: SWC Officers and external consultant</p>	<p>31 October 2024</p>
<p>Schedule of Main Modifications Resource: SWC Officers</p>	<p>Pre-hearings</p>
<p>HRA evidence re nutrient neutrality Resource: SWC Officers and external consultant</p>	<p>Pre-hearings</p>
<p>All Statements of Common Ground</p>	<p>Pre-hearings</p>