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Dear Mr Kemp

## **DACORUM CORE STRATEGY EXAMINATION - RESPONSE**

Thank you for providing us with a copy of the Council's response to the Inspector's questions. We have to say that whilst that is a relatively lengthy document, it fails to grapple with the issues raised by the Inspector and does not address our concerns about the issues of 'unsoundness'. It was disappointing to see that the document avoids suggesting Main Modifications that would address these issues. In these circumstances it will obviously be for the Inspector to draft Main Modifications required to address the issues of unsoundness and of course this is exactly what Section 112 of the Localism Act envisaged.

I feel obliged on behalf of our client to rebut and deny the suggestion within the paper that CALA Homes has in any way changed its stance on the procedure to be adopted in respect of Local Allocations. Our client wishes to stress that he has never accepted the Council's desire to delay the development of Local Allocations by according them some kind of reserved status and Barton Willmore stands by the case it presented to the Examination in this respect.

We look forward to the opportunity to comment on any Main Modifications that the Inspector may feel necessary to address the issues of unsoundness identified in our evidence and presented to the Examination. For our part, we sought to identify potential drafting of Main Modifications in the appendix to our Matter 1 statement.

Yours sincerely

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