

INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION OF THE WHALEY BRIDGE NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

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By email to Andrew Fox, Town Clerk, Whaley Bridge Town Council

Copy to Claire Sansom, Planning Officer, High Peak Borough Council; and Clare Wilkins, Community Policy Planner, Peak District National Park Authority.

Dated 21 July 2023

Dear Andrew

Whaley Bridge Neighbourhood Development Plan Independent Examination – Examiner Letter

Dear Andrew

Thank you for your email today responding to my enquiry yesterday whether the Town Council had submitted any comments in respect of the Regulation 16 representations of other parties. You have advised me "the Town Council has not submitted any comments on the Regulation 16 representations from other parties" and stated "the Council supported Vision 4 Whaley group would have responded to the Regulation 16 representations I would imagine".

Whaley Bridge Town Council is the Qualifying Body that has submitted the emerging Neighbourhood Development Plan to the Local Planning Authorities. The Regulations, and the guidance I have referred you to in my initial letter dated 6 July 2023, make it clear I must deal with the Qualifying Body when undertaking the Independent Examination.

The Town Council, in responding to the opportunity I offered to comment on the Regulation 16 representations of other parties, were able to consult with Vision 4 Whaley and advisors.

Under the circumstances that the Town Council had not understood it could seek advice from Vision 4 Whaley or advisors I am providing the Town Council with a further period in which it can make comments on the Regulation 16 representations of other parties. The extended period for submission of any Town Council comments to the Local Planning Authorities will end at noon on Friday 4 August 2023.

I would be grateful if you could acknowledge receipt of this email. I should also be grateful if the Borough Council and the National Park Authority would publish this email on their websites so that interested parties are updated on progress of the Independent Examination.

Best regards

Chris Collison
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