Eden Local Plan (2014-2032) Examination

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(via email)

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Dear Mr Hutchinson

Eden Local Plan Policy LS2 Housing Targets and Distribution:-Market Towns

I refer to your recent consultation on the amount and distribution of housing development during the plan period and in particular to the representations concerning the amount of housing development now proposed at Kirkby Stephen as opposed to Alston and Appleby, the discussion thereon at the Hearing last week and the other correspondence on the matter.

The Inspector has asked me to write to you to ask you to have another look at the objectivity of the processes that have led to the amount of development proposed at Kirkby Stephen, as compared to Appleby and the resultant selection of sites for development within those settlements.

Would you prepare a paper that explains these processes, updates any appropriate data/information and either justifies the results (in particular the amount of development proposed at each settlement and the specific sites chosen for development) or amends the amount and distribution of development to coincide with a logical interpretation of the plan's objectives, the development potential of different parts of the district and the comparative suitability of each site for development from an overall planning perspective.

The Inspector has advised that he would expect this paper to form part of the consultation into Main Modifications to the plan.

Yours sincerely

Tony Blackburn Programme Officer