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Dear Andrew

## PROPOSED ABERDEEN LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT PLANNING) (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2008

I am writing in response to your recent letter to advise you that on 16 November 2015 Scottish Ministers appointed Mr Stephen Hall BA (Hons) BPI MRTPI to carry out the examination of the above plan in accordance with Section 19 of the amended Town and Country Planning Scotland Act 1997.

The reporters will now commence the examination of conformity with the authority's participation statement as required by Section 19(4) of the Act. I can also confirm that to comply with Section 19(7) of the Act, the examination of the above plan under Section 19(3) of the Act will not commence until the examination of conformity with the participation statement under 19(4) has concluded, or until four weeks from 16 November 2015 which is the date of the appointment of the reporters, whichever is the latter. Therefore, the earliest date upon which the examination of issues raised in representations will commence is 14 December 2015.

Please note that additional reporters may be appointed to aid the speedy delivery of the report and you will be advised of any further appointments.

The council should also ensure that the examination has been advertised and all parties notified of the examination as required by the Act. I will forward examples of a letter to be issued by the council to the representees and press notice which you may find helpful.

The reporters may not require further information from you, but if they do they will write to you specifying what is needed and how you should submit it and the deadlines for submission. You will be informed as soon as possible if any hearing or inquiry sessions are required.

For budgeting purposes, I can confirm that you will be charged a daily rate for reporters and administrators of £400 and £160, respectively. In addition, an invoice

to recover costs of travel and subsistence, hire of halls etc, as necessary, will be issued to you on a monthly basis.

Information about the examination and the issues being addressed by the reporters can also be found on our website:

## http://www.dpea.scotland.gov.uk/CaseDetails.aspx?id=117092

Please note that DPEA will publish on the website, the Schedule 4 Forms, Further Information Requests and Responses, Document Lists, any Hearing and Inquiry Statements, Recommendations by Issue Table and the Report using the weblink above.

Further guidance on the examination process is available from the website of the Directorate for Planning and Environmental Appeals (DPEA) using the weblink below:

http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Built-Environment/planning/Appeals/whatwedo/devplanexaminations

A guidance note that explains development plan examinations for people who have submitted representations is available at the weblink below:

## http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Resource/0039/00396852.pdf

If you need any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me, the administrator for this examination, using the contact details at the top of this letter

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