



Ms Roberts
Corporate Director of Place and
Communities
South Staffordshire Council

Date: 25 June 2025

Examination of the South Staffordshire Local Plan

Dear Ms Roberts,

We are writing to you following the week one hearings for the South Staffordshire Local Plan examination. Firstly, we would like to thank the Council Officers for their assistance during that week.

As you are aware, we have requested further information from you on Duty to Cooperate matters following the discussion in the Matter 2 hearing session. As you will appreciate in the interests of fairness once received in full, that information will need to be subject to consultation with representors that made submissions on the Duty to Cooperate and authorities within the Greater Birmingham and Black Country Housing Market Area.

Unfortunately, the timeframes involved to complete this process will necessitate an unavoidable pause in the examination and the remaining hearing sessions scheduled for July will need to be postponed.

We understand that this will be disappointing news. However, we will contact you in due course with dates for resuming the hearings. Subject to the information provided, this is likely to be in the autumn.

Please note that the content of this letter should not be construed that we have reached a decision on whether or not the Duty to Cooperate has been met.

Yours Sincerely,

C Dillon and K Ford

INSPECTORS