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To: Dermot O'Kane
Cc: Keith Sutherland
Subject: RE: Draft email response : Our Ref: LDP2019/BCC/PS - Your Ref: DPSPAC002 - Letter dated 27th Aug 2020

Good afternoon Dermot,

The Commission's letters of 3 July and 27 August set out requested further information and the time-scale for doing so. I refer to paragraph 27 of the Commission's Procedures for Independent Examination of Local Development Plans where it states "The Commissioner will ask for further written evidence from the council or other relevant parties if he or she identifies gaps in information which are critical to assessing the plan's soundness". In this instance the Commissioners consider that this information would assist their assessment of the soundness of the plan.

If, for whatever reason(s), the Council does not wish to avail of the opportunity to submit that information and does not intend to refer to it at the public hearing sessions, this is its prerogative. Please note that if any documentation that you choose not to forward is cited in further discussion, the Commissioners will not have copies to hand to refer to.

Kind regards

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