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Dear Cllr Little,

**Publication of the submission Willand Neighbourhood Plan
Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (Regulations 15 &16)**

Mid Devon District Council confirm receipt of the submission Willand Neighbourhood Plan and associated documents on 13th February 2024. The submitted documents include:

- Willand Draft Neighbourhood Plan 2020-2033 (Submission Version for Regulation 16 Consultation), including a map of the Neighbourhood Plan area;
- Basic Conditions statement (explaining how the submitted plan meets the requirements of paragraph 8 of Schedule 4B to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990);
- Willand Neighbourhood Plan Statement of Community Consultation;
- Strategic Environmental Assessment & Habitats Regulation Assessment Screening Report for the Willand Neighbourhood Plan;
- Associated supporting documents and evidence.

As the local planning authority we are required to consider the submitted documents and notify Willand Parish Council, as the qualifying body, whether we are satisfied that the Plan and its contents have been prepared according to the Regulations and the requirements of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended by the Localism Act 2011).

With regards to the 1990 Act Schedule 4B, paragraph 6, we have considered the submitted documents and are satisfied that:

- Willand Parish Council is the qualifying body authorised to act in relation to the neighbourhood area, which was formally designated by Mid Devon District Council on 21st June 2023.

- The Parish Council has complied with regulations relating to plan preparation, pre submission consultation (Regulation 14) and submission of the Neighbourhood Plan to the LPA (Regulation 15).
- The submission version of the Plan meets the definition of a Neighbourhood Development Plan and accords with the scope of Neighbourhood Development Plan provisions set out in Sections 38A and 38B of the 2004 Act.

The Willand Neighbourhood Plan and supporting documents have been reviewed and are considered to meet the relevant legal and procedural requirements to proceed to the Submission Consultation stage (Regulation 16) and an Examination of the Plan (Regulation 17).

Under the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended) (Regulation 16), Mid Devon District Council will publicise the submission Willand Neighbourhood Plan and associated documents for a consultation period of 6 weeks.

The Submission Publicity Period will run for a minimum 6 week period until Wednesday 24th April 2024.

During this period the District Council, in co-operation with Willand Parish Council, will appoint an independent and suitably qualified examiner.

Mid Devon District Council would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Willand Parish Council, the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group and all the community who have contributed to this plan for their hard work and dedication in reaching this key milestone.

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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