


Ilminster Neighbourhood Plan - Regulation 16 consultation - Formal response

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Dear Planning Team,

Thank you for your consultation on the Regulation 16 version of the Ilminster Neighbourhood Plan (18 May 2022).

I am aware that my colleague [REDACTED] responded to the Regulation 14 consultation on the 18 August 2021.

Although, we commended the overall competence and quality of the plan, my colleague was concerned by a number of possible risks to heritage assets, particularly due to site allocations.

In his response letter, my colleague detailed a number of specific policies and site allocations that lacked the sufficient evidence base, or justification for development required to guarantee the protection of heritage assets. I attach David Stuart's letter here for reference.

We recommend that the local authority planning and conservation officers satisfy themselves that my colleague's comments have now been fully addressed in the Regulation 16 version of neighbourhood planning suite of documents. This would require a robust justification for each of the development site allocations, along with a rigorous supporting evidence base. If the final plan does not adequately address my colleague's previous concerns, we think that the Plan would not meet its obligations under the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and ought not to be Made, until it has been suitably revised.

We wish the Neighbourhood Planning Steering Group well in the final stages of their work.

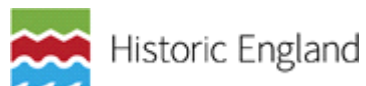
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