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Dear Tammy,

Alvechurch Parish Neighbourhood Plan (APNP) Submission

I write further to your submission of the APNP to Bromsgrove District Council on 27th March 2018.

The District Council have considered the submitted documents and are satisfied that all of the requirements under Regulation 15(1) of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended) have been met. This letter represents the formal view of the Council in advance of its duties under Regulation 16 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended)

Please see the following points as brief feedback on the plan itself:

- The vision, key aims and objectives for the APNP are recognised as appropriate
 for the sustainable development of Alvechurch Parish over the plan period.
 Furthermore the community aims are acknowledged as valuable projects for
 the local community whilst not constituting statutory policies.
- The APNP policies are regarded as offering clear policy guidance for prospective development proposals in the Parish. The breadth of topics covered by the policies are considered to be suitable for the local issues faced in the neighbourhood area based on the evidence supporting the plan, including evidence arising from extensive consultation with a range of stakeholders.
- Reference to the APNP working closely with the District Council in carrying out
 a Green Belt Review as part of the emerging Bromsgrove District Plan Review is
 acknowledged. The District Council look forward to continuing this working
 relationship over the coming years.

A report was considered by the District Council's Cabinet on 27th June 2018. This report recommends the APNP proceeds to a statutory representation period for six weeks in line with the regulations.

It is further proposed that the District Council should appoint an independent examiner to conduct an examination of the APNP, its supporting documents, and relevant representations received during the six week representation period. The examiner will recommend whether the APNP is considered to meet the 'basic conditions' as set out in the regulations.

Finally, on receipt of the examiner's report, should the APNP be deemed to meet the basic conditions the APNP will proceed to a public referendum. The referendum will ask eligible voters whether they want Bromsgrove District Council to use the neighbourhood plan for Alvechurch Parish to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area.

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me or my colleague Matt Stanczyszyn.

Yours sincerely,

Mike Dunphy

Strategic Planning and Conservation Manager

cc. Alvechurch Parish Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

cc. Ward Councillors: Cllr van der Plank (Alvechurch Village), Cllr Hotham (Barnt Green and Hopwood); Cllr Griffiths (Alvechurch South)