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Dear Mr Bennett

Consultation on the Submission Version of the Quorn Neighbourhood Plan

We welcome the opportunity to comment on the Submission Version of the Quorn Neighbourhood Plan and supporting documents that cover the period 2018 to 2036. The documents provide a vision for the future of the area and set out a number of key objectives and planning policies which will be used to help determine planning applications.

Highways England has been appointed by the Secretary of State for Transport as strategic highway company under the provisions of the Infrastructure Act 2015 and is the highway authority, traffic authority and street authority for the Strategic Road Network (SRN). It is our role to maintain the safe and efficient operation of the SRN whilst acting as a delivery partner to national economic growth. In relation to the Quorn Neighbourhood Plan, our principal interest is in safeguarding the operation of the A46 and M1 which route 4 miles south and 5 miles to the west of the Local Plan area respectively.

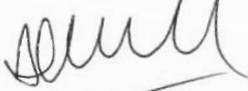
We understand that a Neighbourhood Plan is required to be in conformity with relevant national and Borough-wide planning policies. Accordingly the Neighbourhood Plan for Quorn is required to be in conformity with Charnwood Borough's emerging Local Plan and this is acknowledged within the document.

Quorn is classified in the emerging Charnwood Local Plan as a Service Centre and currently has no specific housing allocation identified within this document. However we note that a target housing allocation of 21 new dwellings has been identified within the Quorn Neighbourhood Plan up to 2036 when taking into consideration approved planning applications and windfall developments. It is noted that a development with a minimum of 75 dwellings is also proposed on land adjacent to the A6 Loughborough Road (Policy H1). In addition, a reserve site for up to 45 dwellings adjacent to the railway line (Policy H2) has been identified should further housing be required through the emerging Charnwood Local Plan.

Due to the limited scale of development being growth proposed, it is not considered that there will be any impacts on the operation of the SRN.

Therefore, we have no further comments to provide, and trust the above is useful in the progression of the Quorn Neighbourhood Plan.

Yours sincerely



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