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To: localplans@charnwood.gov.uk
Subject: RE: [External] Charnwood Local Plan Pre-Submission Draft 2021-2037 Consultation

Dear Planning Policy team

Thank you for your email below regarding the Charnwood Local Plan Pre-Submission Draft 2021-2037 Consultation.

The Coal Authority is a non-departmental public body sponsored by the Department of Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy. As a statutory consultee, the Coal Authority has a duty to respond to planning applications and development plans in order to protect the public and the environment in mining areas.

As you are aware, Charnwood Borough Council lies outside the defined coalfield and therefore the Coal Authority has no specific comments to make on your Local Plans / SPDs etc.

In the spirit of ensuring efficiency of resources and proportionality, it will not be necessary for the Council to provide the Coal Authority with any future drafts or updates to the emerging Plans. This letter can be used as evidence for the legal and procedural consultation requirements at examination, if necessary.

Kind regards

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Charnwood Local Plan Pre-Submission Draft 2021-2037 Consultation

I am writing to inform you that Charnwood Borough Council has published the Charnwood Local Plan 2021-2037 for pre-submission consultation on Monday 12th July 2021. The Plan and the evidence which supports it are available to view on our website at:

<https://www.charnwood.gov.uk/localplan>

A copy of the Statement of Representations Procedure which sets out how to view the Local Plan, along with the other supporting documents, and how to make your representations can be found [here](#).

Due to the coronavirus (Covid-19) restrictions all documentation is published online. If you are not able to access an electronic copy of the documents a hard copy can be made available to view, by appointment only, at the Main Reception of the Council Offices; to do so, please telephone 01509 634560.

The Local Plan is an important planning document that once adopted will set out the broad spatial planning policy framework and vision for Charnwood and provide a strategy for delivering growth in the Borough, including strategic development sites, up to 2037. The Plan will be used to help shape major developments, deliver infrastructure, influence economic investment and make decisions on planning applications.

Following on from the earlier consultations, the Plan has been prepared having regard to the issues identified and the evidence gathered over the last few years. This pre-submission consultation concerns the 'soundness' of the plan, a test that a Planning Inspector will apply to it at an Examination in Public, following its submission to the Secretary of State. Representations to the Local Plan will be sent to the Secretary of State to be considered as part of the examination of the Local Plan, rather than the Council responding directly to comments received.

You are invited to make comments on the Pre-Submission Draft Local Plan, the Sustainability Appraisal and the other supporting evidence which accompany it. Comments must be made during the six-week consultation period which commences on **Monday 12th July 2021 and ends on Monday 23rd August 2021 at 5pm**. Representations received after this date will not be accepted.

We encourage all our consultees to make their comments using the online response form which can be found [here](#) during the consultation period.

We understand that some people may prefer to submit comments in a different format by email or by letter. If you are unable to make your comments using the online response form, please send your comments by email to localplans@charnwood.gov.uk or by letter to Local Plans Team, Charnwood Borough Council, Southfield Road, Loughborough LE11 2TX.

Please state your name and your contact details (including email address); and, if relevant, the organisation you represent and your position in that organisation.

If you are commenting on the Local Plan please state clearly which paragraph or policy you consider does not meet one or more of the tests of soundness, clearly stating the test of soundness, as set out in the National Planning Policy Framework. More information on the tests of soundness can be found in the FAQs on our [website](#).

We will keep your details and what you say on our consultation database. Please note that your contact details will be protected under the Data Protection legislation but your name and any comments you make will be publicly viewable.

Any comments may be accompanied by a request to be notified at a specific address that the Local Plan has been submitted to the Secretary of State for independent examination, and of its future adoption. Please let us know if you require this service.

The Council is unable to hold the usual exhibitions on the Local Plan around the Borough due to the Covid-19 restrictions. However, officers will be holding two virtual presentations online on **Thursday 22nd July at 6-7pm** and on **Wednesday 4th August 6-7pm**. If you wish to learn more

about the Local Plan and its preparation, please attend one of the presentations by registering on our [website](#).

Please contact the Local Plans team at localplans@charnwood.gov.uk if you have any questions regarding this consultation.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'R. Bennett', written in a cursive style.

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