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Dear all,

Please see the Inspector's supplement to the PIM note attached.

Kind regards

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**SUPPLEMENTARY NOTE FOLLOWING THE PRE-INQUIRY MEETING HELD
ON TUESDAY 5 NOVEMBER 2019 AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, NORWICH
CITY HALL, ST PETER'S STREET, NORWICH NR2 1NH**

- 1) Following the issue of my note of the pre-inquiry meeting some further procedural points have been raised. This supplementary note will respond to those points. It should be read together with the previous note.
- 2) Save Britain's Heritage have requested that Mr Forshaw be heard between 5 and 7 February (week 2 of the Inquiry). I have issued a broad outline of the running order which indicates the intention to hear all of the heritage evidence (or as much of it as possible) in week 1. As a Rule 6 party, Save Britain's Heritage is expected to make every effort to present its evidence in accordance with the inquiry timetable.
- 3) As explained in the previous note, I will not be issuing a more detailed timetable until the parties have produced their witness timings, which they have been asked to do by 14 January 2020. In order to treat all parties in the same way, I will not be making arrangements for timings of individuals outside of that process. In the meantime I ask that Save Britain's Heritage reviews the question of witness availability. All parties should prepare on the basis of the outline programme that has been issued, accepting that this is a general guide and actual timings may differ.
- 4) Mr Malik has asked whether members of his group could contribute to the round table sessions. As noted previously, there was agreement that the following main issues could be dealt with effectively through topic based round table sessions:
 - the extent to which the proposed development is consistent with the Government's policies for delivering a sufficient supply of homes;
 - the extent to which the proposed development is consistent with the Government's policies for building a strong, competitive economy; and
 - the extent to which the proposed development is consistent with the Government's policies for ensuring the vitality of town centres.

- 5) Norwich Over the Water Society would like to contribute to the round table session on the vitality of town centres, with regard to cultural matters, and Councillor Carlo's group would like Dr Boswell (on their behalf) to contribute to the round table session on housing, with regard to affordable housing. I have agreed to those requests, provided that Norwich Over the Water Society and/or Dr Boswell are able to provide a full written statement of their evidence on the relevant topic for submission at the same time as the date for proofs of evidence (29 November 2019).
- 6) If Mr Malik's group would also like a representative to contribute to any of the round table sessions then a full written statement of their evidence on the relevant topic (or topics) should also be provided by 29 November 2019.
- 7) All parties are reminded that, where there are topic specific round table sessions, the Inspector will take the lead. An agenda will be circulated in advance. Whilst there will not be cross-examination, at an appropriate stage the Inspector will invite the participants to raise any questions they may have of other parties. The Inspector may ask that questions are directed via him.
- 8) As noted previously, the timetable for the Inquiry will include a time (or times) for Interested Parties to make representations on the appeal. There is no limit on the number of participants although I will ask those speaking not to repeat matters that have already been covered. This is likely to take place in week 3. Participants will not be limited to the main issues but can include any planning matters which are relevant to the Inquiry. There is no requirement to produce a written note but, if anyone is reading from a note, then it would be helpful if copies are made available.
- 9) At the pre-inquiry meeting I gave a preliminary view that the Secretary of State is unlikely to be assisted by discussion of the process by which Norwich City Council reached a view on this application. Those giving oral evidence at the Inquiry will be asked to focus on the planning merits of the application that is before the Secretary of State.

David Prentis

Inspector
18 November 2019