From: Matthew King
Sent: 12 May 2017 17:23
To: 'Carole Crookes'

**Subject:** RE: Walsingham Planning

Good afternoon Carole,

Thank you for passing on the correspondence from Helen Binns to the Planning Inspector.

In terms of Helens comments at the end of the letter, the Publication version of the Local Plan in respect of the Policy EMP3, the policy was very similar to the Policy EMP3 in the Preferred Options which both proposed to allocate the land in question as general employment land and as such her comments made at Preferred Options remain relevant at the Publication Stage.

In relation to the part of the letter where Helen suggests she did not receive notification of the Publication stage consultation, this is where there is an issue. It is agreed that an email was not sent to Helen's personal email, however an email was sent to <a href="mailto:knutsford@walsingplan.co.uk">knutsford@walsingplan.co.uk</a> which is the generic email address at the office at which Helen works. We have two consultees lists in excel – one for residents and one for businesses etc. We had refreshed the information last year as we were receiving a lot of letters and emails back saying no longer at this address or similar. Walsingham Planning were on our consultees list and my colleague Sarah Bowman had phoned everyone on the list to find the most appropriate email address for each company. She was given the generic email for inclusion. Helen confirmed that there was only a handful of people that worked at the office so it does seem unusual that they do not check a generic email. Also, given the fact that Helen has stated she was off work ill, the Council emailing a generic address which others could have picked up on would have given the opportunity for the consultation to be picked up on.

We did not change any email addresses without the knowledge of those companies.

From my point of view if the Inspector were to decide that Helen Binns were to be allowed to attend, I would not have any objections to her attendance at the Hearing sessions.

## Kind Regards

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To: Matthew King

**Subject:** Walsingham Planning

## Matthew

Further to our recent discussion regarding Walsingham Planning's wish to participate in the hearing I have received a further email from Helen Binns (which you were copied into). I have passed the email onto the Inspector and he has asked me to contact you for your comments/views on her email. In, particular the statement in her final paragraph that you are relaxed about whether Walsingham Planning attend or not given the similarities in that part of the Plan between Preferred Options and Publication. Are you able to confirm that is a fair interpretation of your conversation with Helen Binns?

Many thanks

Carole

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