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Hello Barbara,

There are some updates which I'd like to make you aware of.

- 1. Local Plan timetable following the announcement on 6 December 2022 of the government's intention to make further changes to the planning system including a revised method of calculating the housing requirement and increased protection for constrained areas, including Green Belts, the Council has made the decision to await clarity on these critical issues before finalising a revised version of the local plan. Consultation on a revised Local Plan is therefore not now expected to take place before Summer 2023 with submission for examination in Autumn 2023. A revised Local Development Scheme will be published in due course with a revised timetable. A press release has been issued to this effect. Amendments to the relevant webpages are in the process of being made.
- 2. Reference is made within the Neighbourhood Plan and a number of representations to the Reg 16 consultation to the Wyndham Way Study Area and placemaking work of the Wyndham Way Development Framework, which was ongoing at the time of drafting the neighbourhood plan. This work is nearing completion and a report was made to North Somerset Executive on 7 December outlining the content and the cover report was amended at the meeting to include the following recommendation.

"To endorse, in principle, the Clevedon, Nailsea and Portishead placemaking strategies as the partnership visions for regeneration, placemaking and economic development for the respective towns, and delegate to the Executive Member for Placemaking and Economy, in consultation with relevant Town Councils and other partners, authority to determine the final content and wording of the strategies".

The potential amendments to the existing report would be to include a phasing table for employment and infrastructure delivery, as requested by Portishead Town Council. Consultation with Portishead stakeholders and Town Council will take place in the new year with a view to finalising the document in February. The report and appendices can be found here and begin on p31. The study will inform the emerging Local Plan pre-submission draft. It provides a framework and opportunity to coordinate change and ensure that proposals which come forward within the area respect the key principles set out in the within the Wyndham Way area. It is anticipated that further work may be undertaken to convert it into an SPD to the Local Plan once this is adopted.

Kind regards

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