

INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION OF THE HAMPSTEAD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

MODIFICATION PROPOSAL

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Via email

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Dear Mr Nicoll, Ms Griffis and Mr Triggs

Further to my initial procedural letter and determination of 13 January 2025, I am now in receipt of the Modifications Statement from Camden Council and the letter from the Forum Chair (and accompanying table) of 31 January 2025 in response to the questions I raised.

Having read the Modifications Statement provided by Camden Council in accordance with Regulation 17(e)(ii) of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended), this aligns with my provisional analysis of 13 January 2025.

The Planning Practice Guidance Reference ID:41- 106-20190509 describes the three approaches that may be appropriate when an adopted Neighbourhood Plan is subject to review. Nothing in the Modifications Statement (or the responses from the Forum) alter my view that, whilst the draft revised Hampstead Neighbourhood Plan contains material modifications that require examination, the proposed modifications are not so substantial that they will change the nature of the Plan. Therefore, should the Plan proceed successfully beyond the examination stage, a referendum will not be required and my conclusions on any proposed modifications (to be set out in my forthcoming report) will be binding.

I am also satisfied that the Forum has sought to respond to those Regulation 16 responses on which I requested further comments and am now in a position to proceed with my intended site visit to the neighbourhood plan area next week (w/c 10 February 2024).

In the event that I have any further questions following my site visit, I will set these out in writing.

In the interests of transparency, may I prevail upon you to ensure a copy of this letter is placed on the Neighbourhood Forum and local authority websites.

Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Yours sincerely

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Examiner