

Councillor G D Steady
Chairman of the Community Leadership Overview & Scrutiny Committee
15 Elizabeth Way
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20 September 2024

Dear Councillor Steady

Delegated Power Ref: Page 3.42 – Part 3 (Scheme of Delegated Powers) – Schedule 3 (Responsibility for Executive Functions) – Section 4.3 (Additional Specific Delegations to Individual Portfolio Holders) – Housing and Planning Portfolio Holder – Number 7: *“To consider and agree responses to consultation exercises on national, regional and sub-regional planning policy issues and on other authorities’ planning documents”*

Request for Consent to gain Exemption from Call-in Procedure

I propose to make the following executive decision:-

To approve Tendring District Council's formal response to the Government's proposed reforms to the National Planning Policy Framework and other changes to the planning system.

I enclose a report from the Director (Planning) in relation to this matter for your assistance. Any delay likely to be caused by the call-in process would seriously prejudice the Council's or the public's interest for the following reasons:-

The deadline for the submission of consultation responses is Tuesday 24th September 2024. Failure to meet that deadline could lead to this Council's concerns about the Government's proposals not being properly taken into account.

The Planning Policy and Local Plan Committee debated and agreed the proposed response at its meeting held on 16th September 2024 and so this matter has therefore been considered by Members from all political groups represented on the Council. That discussion followed on from the all-member briefing held on 4th September 2024.

I therefore propose that the decision should be exempt from the call-in procedure by virtue of Rule 18(i) of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules in Part 5 of the Council's Constitution. I would be grateful if you would sign, scan and email or post or hand deliver the attached Consent Form back to Gary Guiver, Director (Planning) indicating whether you agree with this course of action.

Yours sincerely

Councillor Andy Baker
Portfolio Holder for Housing and Planning
Tendring District Council

Gary Guiver
Director (Planning)

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Dear Mr. Guiver

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I refer to the letter from the Housing and Planning Portfolio Holder dated 20 September 2024 concerning exercising the above-mentioned delegated power in relation to the approval of Tendring District Council’s formal response to the Government’s proposed reforms to the National Planning Policy Framework and other changes to the planning system.

In view of the urgency of this decision, I note that you wish to gain an exemption from the call-in process by virtue of Rule 18(i) of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules in Part 5 of the Council’s Constitution.

I agree / ~~do not agree~~* that the decision is reasonable in all the circumstances and that an exemption from the call-in procedure should be applied in this case.


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Dated: 20-9-24.....

* Please delete as appropriate.

Additional comments (if any):