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Dear Gloria

## South Cambridgeshire Local Plan Examination: Schedule of Work

Thank you for your letter dated 7 September 2016. As you noted in your letter, a number of areas of work are currently being undertaken by the Councils, including work related to: the City Deal; gypsy and traveller accommodation needs; the provisional modification to allocate land south of the Cambridgeshire Biomedical Campus; the transport modelling issue; and work in relation to accessibility standards and residential space standards.

The attached schedule outlines the specific work being undertaken, relevant committee dates and the target dates for submission to the Inspectors. Please note that joint issues have been co-ordinated with Cambridge City Council.

I hope that this information is helpful and will allow further progress to be made with compiling the programme for the remainder of the Examinations. As you know, the Council is committed to progressing the Local Plan Examination and being able to move swiftly forward to adoption.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any queries.

Yours sincerely

Caroline Hunt

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Planning Policy Manager

## South Cambridgeshire Local Plan Examination: Schedule of Work

Further Work	Status	Dates for Committee		Submission to Inspectors
Joint Work				
Gypsies and Travellers	The Cambridgeshire, King's Lynn and West Norfolk, Peterborough and West Suffolk Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment is being finalised.	South Cambridgeshire Planning Portfolio Holder	8 November 2016	12 December 2016
	The Councils are currently considering the findings of the work and the need as a result thereof for any modifications to the Local Plans, and will be taking any proposed modifications to the Local Plan in response to the new	South Cambridgeshire Full Council meeting	24 November 2016	
	evidence document through our respective committees.	Cambridge Development Plan Scrutiny Sub-Committee	6 December 2016	
Transport Statement of Common Ground	As requested by the Inspectors, the Councils were working with Matter 7 participants on technical information from the modelling as part of preparing a Statement of Common Ground. However, the Inspectors then wrote to the Councils in May 2015 seeking further work to be done and suspending the examination. As part of that additional work, the Councils prepared an updated Transport evidence document 'Local Plans CSRM – Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire Local Plans Transport Report', November 2015 (RD/MC/070), submitted to the examination in March 2016. The County Council is currently updating the Cambridge Sub Regional Model. It is proposed that discussions recommence with Matter 7 participants when that is available and a Statement of Common Ground be			By end of March 2017

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	prepared and submitted to the examination. It is expected that should be possible by the end March 2017.			
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New Settlements	The Council has been considering the implications of the delay to the adoption of the Local Plan and the current intentions of the promoters of Waterbeach and Bourn Airfield new settlements to progress their proposals as	South Cambridgeshire Planning Portfolio Holder	8 November 2016	End of November 2016
	quickly as possible. A report will be considered by members in November with proposed modifications to the Local Plan.	South Cambridgeshire Full Council meeting	24 November 2016	
Greater Cambridge City Deal – Cambourne to	Following public consultation on options for a busway to link Cambourne and Cambridge in October/November 2015,	Assembly	29 September 2016	21 October 2016
Cambridge Better Bus Journeys	and a report on consultation to the Board on 3 March 2016, work has been carried out to on a number of technical transport documents and overall assessment. A report will be considered by the City Deal at meetings in September/October 2016 recommending a preferred option to be taken forward for further assessment and preparation of an outline business case and public consultation.	City Deal Executive Board	13 October 2016	
Greater Cambridge City Deal A10(N) Study	This study is considering transport measures along the A10(N) corridor in the context of proposed growth affecting that corridor. This Study has not been commissioned for the purposes of the Submitted Local Plan but is nevertheless a further indicator of the City Deal commitment to bring forward measures to support the development strategy in the Plan. The completion of the Study has been delayed by the update to the Cambridge Sub Regional Model and is currently expected to report in summer 2017. It will be			

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	provided to the examination if available at a suitable point in the examination process.			
Greater Cambridge City Deal – 1,000 additional homes on rural exception sites	The City Deal Executive Board agreed at its meeting of 1 September 2016 the approach to monitoring of the 1,000 additional homes committed to as part of the agreement with Government. At the Matter PM1A hearing on 7 June	Report agreed by the City Deal Executive Board		End of November 2016
	2016, officers committed to providing to the Inspectors the outcome of the City Deal Board's consideration of this issue and proposed modifications to the Local Plan to make clear how this commitment will be monitored. The City Deal	South Cambridgeshire Planning Portfolio Holder	8 November 2016	
	Board report will be made a Reference Document to the examination and officers intend taking a report to members in November with proposed modifications to the Local Plan.	South Cambridgeshire Full Council meeting	24 November 2016	
Cambourne West planning application	A planning application for the omission site at Cambourne West that is larger than the allocation in the submitted Local Plan is currently being considered by the Council. It is currently scheduled for consideration by a special meeting of Planning Committee later this year. An update to the Examination will be provided when the date is confirmed and on the outcome of Members consideration of the application.	South Cambridgeshire Planning Committee	Late November / early December 2016	Following planning committee
Land South of Cambridge Biomedical Campus	The Council advised the Inspectors in March 2016 that further work was being undertaken by the landowners to test the suitability and deliverability of this provisional modification that was subject to public consultation in December 2015. The work is close to completion and	South Cambridgeshire Planning Portfolio Holder	8 November 2016	End of November 2016
	officers intend taking a report to members in November 2016 considering the findings and advising whether	South Cambridgeshire	24 November 2016	

Further Work	Status  proposed modifications should be made to the Local Plan in response to the new evidence documents.	Dates for Committee		Submission to Inspectors
		Full Council meeting		
Strategic Policies	The Council is required to identify strategic policies in the Local Plan for the purposes of Neighbourhood Planning. The Council will provide the policies it proposes as Strategic Policies as a proposed modification to the Local Plan to be subject to public consultation at the end of the hearings with other proposed modifications.			End of November 2016
Proposed Modifications arising from Hearing Statements	A number of potential proposed modifications were identified in response to Inspectors' questions in the Council's Written Statements on Housing (SC5b) and Successful Communities (SC8) matters that were proposed subject to consideration by Members. A report will be considered by members in November.	South Cambridgeshire Planning Portfolio Holder South Cambridgeshire Full Council meeting	8 November 2016 24 November 2016	End of November 2016
Monitoring Framework	Work on the monitoring framework for the South Cambridgeshire Local Plan is ongoing. It is not anticipated at this stage that this largely procedural work flowing from the Plan will need to be considered by Members, but if it is concluded that this is necessary it will be considered once the work is completed in February 2017.	If necessary:  South Cambridgeshire Planning Portfolio Holder	7 February 2017	End February 2017
		South Cambridgeshire Full Council meeting	23 February 2017	

**Note**: Residential Space Standards: to address the introduction of the national residential space standard through the Written Ministerial Statement (25 March 2015), the Council has produced an evidence document ('Evidence for Residential Space Standards in South

Cambridgeshire', RD/H/810) that was submitted to the Inspectors in September 2016 alongside the hearing statement for Matter SC5B. Accessibility Standards: The matter was addressed in the Council's Statement to Matter SC5B.