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Dear Sir/Madam.

Examination of the St. Albans City & District Council Local Plan
Inspector Louise Crosby MA MRTPI and
Inspector Elaine Worthington BA (Hons) MT MUED MRTPI

As you responded to the invitation by St Albans & City Council to comment on the Submission version of their Local Plan, I am writing to advise you that the Secretary of State has appointed Inspectors Louise Crosby MA MRTPI and Elaine Worthington BA (Hons) MT MUED MRTPI to carry out the independent Examination of the Local Plan. They will determine whether it has been prepared in accordance with the relevant legal requirements and that it is 'sound' i.e. positively prepared, justified, effective and consistent with national policy.

I have been appointed as the independent Programme Officer to assist the Inspectors with all aspects of the examination and my contact details are set out above. Prior to the hearing sessions of the Examination, the Inspectors do not have direct contact with either the Council or Representatives, and all communications with the Inspectors take place through the Programme Officer.

The Inspectors are currently undertaking their initial assessment of the Local Plan and reading the representations received, and I will be in contact again when I am able to give you further information on the next steps in the Examination. Information on the Examination is posted regularly on the examination web pages of the St Albans & City Council website. The easiest way to keep in touch with the progress of the Examination is to click on the link below and then on the Latest News and Updates tab.

<https://www.stalbans.gov.uk/planning/Planningpolicy/localplan/>

If you would prefer not to receive any further information on the examination, please let me know and I will remove your details from the notification list.

I am your point of contact throughout the examination process, and if you have any queries at any stage of the examination please do not hesitate to contact me and I will be happy to help.

Yours faithfully,

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