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via email (copied to Warfield Parish Council)

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Dear Ms O'Rourke

WARFIELD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN EXAMINATION

Thank you for your letter dated 27th April 2021 (ref. 02/MOR/WNP) which followed Bracknell Forest Council's (BFC) response to your initial questions in relation to the examination of the Warfield Neighbourhood Plan (WNP).

In BFC's response, I informed you that further advice was awaited prior to being able to respond to question 2(i), which asked:

The submitted WNP is for the period 2013-2026 and the Plan's Foreword commits to its early review in 2023. However, I note that BFC's preference would be for a plan period of 2019-2036 'to justify additional housing beyond the current adopted plan period'. Am I correct to assume the reasoning behind this is to align with the plan period of the emerging Local Plan? What does BFC envisage as the implications of such a change on the examination and on the Plan itself?

I am now able to advise you that BFC remains of the view that the WNP plan period should *ideally* be aligned with the emerging Bracknell Forest Local Plan, which now covers the period up to 2037.

However, if such a course of action was pursued, it is considered that further consultation would be required following appropriate amendments to the text of the Plan. Depending on the nature of consultation responses received, this might then necessitate further changes to the Plan.

If it is decided to pursue an amendment to the plan period, BFC will organise any necessary consultation required. In order to avoid confusion for consultees, BFC will await your decision before commencing the proposed HRA public consultation. I hope this is acceptable. It may be that a 6 week consultation would be preferable.

I have arranged for this response to be published on the Warfield Neighbourhood Plan section of Bracknell Forest Council's website (<https://www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/planning-and-building-control/planning/planning-policy/neighbourhood-planning/warfield-neighbourhood-area>).

If you have any further questions that I can assist with, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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