

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION OF THE EXMOUTH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

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Dear Mr Pryke and Mr Twamley

### EXMOUTH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN EXAMINATION

Thank you for your letter of 28th November 2018, which answered the questions I had raised earlier, and for the additional and amended maps which I shall recommend for inclusion in the Neighbourhood Plan. I am making good progress on the examination and report writing, but have a few more questions which require answers before I can finalise the report. It would assist me greatly if you could address the following:

1. At the bottom of Page 4 of your letter of 28th November, in answer to the East Devon District Council comment on paragraph 9, it is stated that an appropriate evidence base for the rare species has been found. However, I have not been informed as to what is that evidence base, or how exactly the wording of paragraph 9 should be modified to reference it. Please provide details of the evidence base and how the wording of paragraph 9 is to be modified.
2. Figure 10 on Page 47 shows the conservation areas. There appear to be 5 altogether. I know that Louisa Terrace / The Beacon and Bicton Street were designated in 1973 and Albion Street / Windsor Square in 1986. When exactly were the other conservation areas designated? I consider that Figure 10 should show the names of each conservation area.
3. Figure 10 could also show the listed buildings, which are located in each conservation area. Figure 2.3 of the Exmouth Masterplan already does this.
4. Pages 49 and 50 of the Neighbourhood Plan refer to "Prominent buildings in Exmouth" and "Residential areas of character". I am uncertain as to the source of identification of these features, or their status? Have they been identified through research or a technical assessment of local buildings and streets? Section 12 of the National Planning Policy Framework is clear that designated assets merit more protection than non-designated ones. Are all the named assets located within conservation areas, or designated listed buildings, or included on a local list of heritage assets?

I would appreciate a reply by **Monday 17th December 2018**, in order that I can complete my draft 'Fact Check' report as soon as possible.

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

Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Your sincerely

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Examiner