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Dear Mr Berkeley

**Examination of the Maldon District Local Development Plan**

Thank you for your letter of 11 May 2016 in relation to the timetable for the examination of the Maldon District Local Development Plan.

I am writing to reassure you that the District Council also wishes to make progress with the examination at the earliest opportunity. The deadlines that I gave in my letter of 5 May are cautious, due to past experiences, and assume that the Council will be producing detailed statements addressing in depth the matters you raise in your letter of 7 April. We intend to submit these statements ahead of the deadlines where we are able to complete them sooner. Alternatively, the Council could produce briefer summaries of its position to earlier deadlines, if you consider that this would aid the examination process.

I hope that this letter reassures you as to the Council's willingness to advance the examination as quickly as possible.

Yours sincerely

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