

**Corsham Neighbourhood Plan
Independent Examination
Invitation to the Town Council**

I am writing to let you know that NPIERS, the Neighbourhood Planning Independent Examiner Referral Service, has recently published guidance to service users and examiners.

Amongst other matters, the guidance indicates that the qualifying body, in this case, Corsham Town Council, will normally be given an opportunity to comment upon any representations made by other parties at the Regulation 16 consultation stage should they wish to do so. There is no obligation for the Town Council to make any comments; it is only if they wish to do so.

If a qualifying body wishes to make comments, the guidance indicates that any such comments should be made within two weeks after close of the Regulation 16 stage.

I am therefore writing to ask whether the Town Council wish to make any comments on any or all of the representations received at Regulation 16 stage. Should the Town Council wish to do so, it would be much appreciated if I could be in receipt of any comments by the close of business on 27 July 2018.

If I do not hear anything by or on 27 July, I will assume the Town Council do not wish to make any comments and I will proceed with the examination on that basis unless I hear otherwise.

It is important to note that any comments will be in the public domain and published on the local planning authority's website.

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