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By e-mail

Dear Ms Masters,

Elmbridge Local Plan Examination – request for an adjournment

As part of the Matter 5: Housing delivery and meeting housing needs hearing session you requested to be provided with an updated housing trajectory and 5-year housing land supply position.

As you will be aware, in consultation with other participants, the Council set about updating its dataset to reflect those agree inputs. At approximately 17:30 today, the Council discovered persistent anomalies when updating that dataset and alerted the programme officer that there would be a delay in providing the populated table.

Despite the diligent efforts of the Council Officers, at approximately 22:00 today, the Council reluctantly concluded that it needed to comprehensively recast that housing trajectory and five-year supply dataset from scratch and that simple updating would lead to unreliable evidence.

Accordingly, and to allow you and all participants a fair opportunity to review and comment on an important part of the evidence, the Council formally requests that you pause the Examination to allow that work to be done.

The Council anticipates that it would need 5-weeks to do that work, which will include seeking additional resources. That evidence would therefore be available before the programmed days in June if you were minded to repurpose those dates for this purpose.

The Council appreciates that this will cause unwelcome delay and disruption to the examination, for which the Council sincerely apologises and would not make this request unless it were absolutely necessary. The Council is anxious to adopt an up-to-date plan and wishes for the examination to continue as swiftly as possible.

Yours Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ktag', followed by a long horizontal flourish and a period.

Kim Tagliarini
Strategic Director, Place and Community