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Dear Participant,

**Vale of White Horse Local Plan 2031 (Part 1) Examination**

I would like to thank all those who took part in the recent Stage 1 hearing sessions for their constructive contributions to the debates.

In the light of all that I have now read and heard, and bearing in mind the potential for me to recommend main modifications to the plan (including in connection with matters discussed at the Stage 1 hearings), I consider that it is appropriate to move to Stage 2 of the Examination.

However, this is not a guarantee that the plan as a whole, or any particular part of it, will be found sound. Given this, and bearing in mind that many of the issues already discussed are inextricably linked with those which will be considered as part of Stage 2, it is not appropriate for me to set out further details of my initial views at this stage.

Arrangements will now be made for the Stage 2 hearing sessions to be held as soon as practicable, dates and Matters/Questions for these sessions will be published in due course.

Yours sincerely

*Malcolm Rivett*

INSPECTOR