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Dear Mr Berkeley and Mr Griffiths,

## York Local Plan Examinations – Note on HRA Impacts of H59

A note on the habitats impacts of H59 to determine whether homes could be accommodated without adverse effect on the integrity of the SAC is enclosed. The Council have engaged with the Defence Infrastructure Organisation (DIO) in respect to clarifying onsite residential at the Barracks site and this is reflected in the note. We conclude as set out that retaining site H59 is not appropriate. The note acknowledges that *part* of the brownfield QEB (site ST35 as proposed for deletion) is beyond the exclusion zone and therefore could be accommodated. Notwithstanding this, the Council are not proposing to modify the plan to allocate any part of the QEB site. The response of Natural England to this note is attached and supports these conclusions.

Acknowledgement that part of the Queen Elizabeth Barracks site is beyond the exclusion zone will be included in the supporting text Policy GI2A. This note will be published alongside the Local Plan modifications for comment by DIO and other interested parties.

Yours Sincerely,

Ross.

**Neil Ferris** Corporate Director of Place

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