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Subject: LDP2 - MIR Consultation Questions - OWCC comments

Dear [REDACTED]

LDP2 - MIR Consultation Questions

[REDACTED] comments in response to the above questions follow below.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Scottish Borders Local Development Plan 2 Main Issues Report 2018 (MIR), Consultation Questions Comments from [REDACTED]

DELIVERING SUSTAINABILITY AND CLIMATE CHANGE AGENDA QUESTION 14

Do you support the designation of a National Park within the Scottish Borders? If so, which general area do you think a National Park should cover?

[REDACTED] comments

OWCC supports the designation of a National Park within the Scottish Borders in respect of a viable area, to include the uplands and foothills of the northern Cheviots adjoining the Northumberland National Park and the Border Ridge.

SETTLEMENT MAPS

QUESTION 16

Do you support the principle of Oxnam becoming a recognised settlement within the LDP? Do you agree with the proposed settlement plan and its boundaries?

[REDACTED] comments

[REDACTED] welcomes this opportunity to comment with regard to the paragraph, Conclusions under site reference AOXNA002, Land to west of Oxnam Road (included in MIR - Background documents, Site Assessment (Excluded) Sites).

The proposed settlement boundary shown at Figure 8 of the MIR has been drawn to respect the dispersed radial pattern of the village and to allow (if necessary) for small scale infill development to accommodate possible future growth. It incorporates a wide strip of field frontage (extending to approximately 1.01 acres/0.41 hectare) to the north of the road

continuing from Oxnam Green towards Oxnam Neuk Farm Cottages. This area has been included following [REDACTED] consultations with, and at the suggestion of, a local major landowner, and is one of three areas where this landowner feels "development may take place at some point although ... it is likely to be many years before development in these areas may be considered".

[REDACTED] agrees with the conclusion that the site identified by reference AOXNA002 should be excluded as it believes this proposal could lead to gradual, and unwelcome, urbanisation. However, with reference to the paragraph, Conclusions mentioned above, [REDACTED] would not wish to see the proposed settlement boundary (shown at Figure 8 of the MIR) altered to include any portion of the field identified by site reference AOXNA002.