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Dear Mr Kean,

## EN010106 - Sunnica Energy Farm - Procedural Deadline C

## West Suffolk Council Unique Reference Number 20031311

This is the response of West Suffolk Council to the matters outlined in the Examining Authority's letter of 31 August 2022 as being required by Procedural Deadline C.

## The revised draft Examination Timetable

The Council notes the submission of the LIR by 19 October 2022 and the submission of the WR by 11 November 2022. As the ExA has not yet decided whether to accept the Applicant's Change Request the Council would wish to ensure that it has sufficient time to consider the Change Request, if it is accepted, in order to inform the content of the LIR and WR.

In addition, the host authorities understand that the Applicant may be submitting additional landscape information for our consideration. At the time of writing it is not known when this information will be received by the host authorities and, again, we would wish to ensure that we have sufficient time to consider this information.

It is noted that the timetable includes the publication of the ExA's Second Written Questions (if required) on 5 January 2023 and the deadline for the response to these questions is 6 working days later. The Council questions whether this is sufficient time for all parties to respond.

The arrangements for future Examination hearings, including the use of virtual methods

West Suffolk Council has no objection to the use of virtual methods for future Examination hearings.

Yours sincerely

Julie Baird, Director, Planning & Growth