

## **Wealden District Council Local Plan Examination**

**Inspector: Louise Nurser BA(Hons) Dip UP MRTPI**

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Dear Representor,

I am writing to inform you that Louise Nurser BA (Hons) Dip UP MRTPI has been appointed by the Secretary of State to carry out the independent examination of the Wealden Local Plan. The Inspector will determine whether the Plan has been prepared in accordance with relevant legal requirements and that it is 'sound' i.e. positively prepared, justified, effective and consistent with national policy.

I have been appointed as the independent Programme Officer to assist the Inspector with all aspects of the examination and my contact details are set out below. I am the means by which the Inspector has contact with the Council and representors and the point of contact for all matters concerning the examination and for all communications with the Inspector.

The Inspector is currently appraising the Local Plan and I will be in contact with you again soon to provide further information on the examination process and key dates. The latest updates and key Information will also be available on the examination web page at:-

[www.wealden.gov.uk/wealdenlocalplan](http://www.wealden.gov.uk/wealdenlocalplan)

In the meantime, to help the Inspector with her examination of the Plan, she would strongly encourage those who have made duly made representations to consider how, or if, they could co-operate with each other. Also, the Inspector has asked that I remind you, irrespective of whether you have already signaled that you wish to attend any oral hearings or wish to rely on written representations, that both methods will carry equal weight. She will have equal regard to views put at a hearing or in writing.

If you do have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me either by phone or email and I will be happy to assist.

Yours Sincerely,

***Lynette Benton***

Lynette Benton (Programme Officer)