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Dear Sir / Madam

Following my consideration of the responses to the consultation on the main modifications, the Council may wish to give further thought to the following matters:

Rep No. 5 proposing alterations to the Policies Map relating to the Enterprise Zone at Samlesbury: I note the Council's agreement to this alteration, but this was not a matter raised in the original representation on this site and is not a matter which was discussed at the hearings. Furthermore, it would result in some land being altered from a Green Belt notation on the publicised Policies Map to employment land within the Enterprise Zone. Accordingly, whilst I agree that it might be sensible to ensure that the two boundaries match, the Council may wish to consider any implications of such a change having regard to the consultation process and SA which has already been undertaken. If the Council is proposing such a change, I consider that it would be a further main modification to the Plan (to policy C5 and the Appendix 3 plan).

Rep No. 3 relating to MM13: The Council has suggested a further modification to this policy which does not quite accord with the comments of BAE Systems. The Council may wish to consider a further limited consultation with the interested parties in relation to the further proposed changes.

Rep No. 12 relating to MM06: I do not consider that the suggested alteration to the wording would be necessary for soundness. However, the Council may wish to consider taking on board the suggestion to include an explanation of 'comprehensive development' in the Glossary. This would appear to me to give the clarity and comfort that is being sought by Lancashire County Council and would equally apply to the developers of the other Major Sites. I would not consider this to be a main modification to the Plan.

None of these matters affect the soundness of the Plan and therefore will not affect the conclusions in my forthcoming partial report. However, I would be grateful for the Council's views on how it intends to proceed with the above matters.

Yours faithfully

Susan Heywood Senior Housing and Planning Inspector

