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Dear Jill,

I write to you as a matter of urgency, in relation to the following matters and seek an immediate explanation, and hopefully an assurance, as to events relating to the Public Inquiry into Broxtowe Borough Council's Aligned Core Strategy.

I have discovered that on 13th November during an additional hearing session which was scheduled as merely procedural, and in no way contentious, an important decision has been made regarding the future of Green Belt land at Toton. Specifically that the site be proposed for a minimum of 500 homes.

To be clear, the information I have received is that Broxtowe Borough Council is asserting that you are predisposed to recommend the Green Belt land at Toton be included in the Aligned Core Strategy to accommodate 500 homes.

You will note that I was not formally notified of this important proposal. I was supplied with the amendments as proposed by Broxtowe Borough Council after my office contacted the Programme Officer on Thursday 14th November.

It is important to remember that Green Belt land at Toton was originally identified as one of two preferred sites in Broxtowe Borough Council's Draft Aligned Core Strategy. However, as a result of a motion of Broxtowe Borough Council it was unanimously withdrawn as a preferred site by Broxtowe Borough Council.

I appreciate that there will now be a public consultation on any proposed amendments resulting from the Public Inquiry. However, community groups, individuals, local councillors and I have been denied the opportunity specifically to address these matters.