

Council's Initial response to Inspector's Reply to the Council's Response to Interim Findings.

The Council would like to thank the Inspector for his reply to their response, received on 12 October. The Council wish to progress the Plan in the manner outlined.

The Inspector's reply will be reported to Council on the 20th October, for member's information, but a substantive response will require additional work and will therefore follow at a later date.

The Council will prepare for consultation additional or amended MMs which will address the Inspector's additional comments and these alongside the previously tendered draft MMs which it is proposed will remain unchanged will be submitted to the Inspector prior to formal consultation. The material submitted will include additional supporting material and the draft MMs themselves.

Other clarifications requested will be made. These include the identification of amendments, and noting of updates in the Keynotes (paragraph 3), more precise identification of the land allocations at Newent (para 12), and clarification in respect of the Canal policy (para 13).

A preliminary timetable for the process has been established which will include approval of any revised or additional draft MMs by Council on the 16th November (at a special meeting). As soon as possible after this the relevant material will be available for the Inspector.

Nigel Gibbons 17th October 2016.