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Dear Miss Mayman

Wyre Forest District Local Development Framework Representations on the submission versions, Statement of Community Involvement

I refer to your letter dated 18th November 2005 and that from Mr Holdstock dated 16th November 2005, enclosing your authority's Regulation 31 statement addressed to my colleague Karen Rose. Consideration has now been given to the District Council's responses to the representations received and the suggested changes to the SCI.

The Government Office for the West Midlands does not intend to make any further submissions in support of the representations which accompanied the letter dated 28th October 2005. Furthermore consideration has been given to the detail of the suggested changes to the SCI. It is considered that if the SCI is amended in the manner suggested, then the concerns raised by the Government Office in its representations would be met. The Government Office however, does not at this stage intend to withdraw its objections to the Statement of Community Involvement, but would request that the Inspector endorse the proposed changes.

With reference to the points contained in the covering letter it is noted that other changes to the SCI are proposed. This is to be welcomed. It is considered that they will meet the concerns previously expressed and improve the final SCI document.

Yours sincerely

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