

# AYLESBURY VALE DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Dear Mr Clark,

### Vale of Aylesbury Local Plan Examination

I am writing to update you regarding the Council's progress on its responses to the representations received to the proposed main modifications to the Vale of Aylesbury Local Plan (VALP). I had previously advised you (via the programme officer) that we were aiming to get the representations and our responses to you by the first week in March but we will not now be able to achieve this.

We have been considering our responses to the transport issues raised in the main modifications consultation. You will recall that at the oral hearings on transport the Council relied on Run 1 of the Buckinghamshire Countywide Model which excluded the South West Aylesbury Link Road (SWLR). You will have noted that this link road is included in T3, as proposed to be modified, as a critical piece of infrastructure and that is the advice that we have received from the Highways Authority. Its delivery is anticipated to come forward during the build out of AGT2 through developer funding. We therefore consider that it is appropriate for a run to be undertaken using the Countrywide Model which includes that link road so that all the infrastructure that is relied upon to support the delivery of the strategic allocations in Aylesbury Town has been modelled. It is anticipated that inclusion of the South Western Link Road in Run 1 will further improve the performance of the highway network and further assist with the delivery of the strategic allocations. It is not proposed to include the North Eastern or Western Link Roads in this run (which did not feature in the original Run 1) as these link roads are regarded as desirable rather than necessary or critical to the delivery of the plan and policy T3 will need to be further modified to reflect that. It is anticipated that this further Run of model 1 should support that.

This run of the model to include the South West Link Road is going to take around four weeks, and once this is complete, the representations and our responses to them will be sent to you. We anticipate this being in mid April. Whilst we appreciate that this will cause a slight delay to the VALP we consider that it is appropriate to do this work now so you have all the relevant information when you consider the representations on the main modifications and our responses to them.



We have previously offered to send you the main modification representations, and batches of our responses to these as they are finalised. You have previously indicated your preference to receive these all at once, but if that position has changed, please do let me know.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Charlotte Stevens', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Charlotte Stevens  
Planning Policy Manager