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My reference: Your reference:

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Dear Graham

## Examination into the Beech Neighbourhood Plan – Invitation to Participate at a Public Hearing

I am writing to you on behalf of the Independent Examiner, Ann Skippers, to invite you or other representatives of Beech Parish Council to participate at the Public Hearing into the Beech Neighbourhood Plan.

The Independent Examiner has decided to hold a Public Hearing to give Gladman Developments Ltd a fair chance to put forward their case. This is because their representation to the Neighbourhood Plan at the pre-submission (Regulation 14) stage was not considered by the Parish Council at that time.

Although Gladman Developments Ltd has made further representations at the submission stage, the Independent Examiner is keen to offer them the opportunity to orally put their case and then to hear from Beech Parish Council and East Hampshire District Council (where appropriate), to make sure that Gladman Developments Ltd have had a fair chance to assert their case concerning the proposals of the Neighbourhood Plan.

The Public Hearing is due to be held at **2pm, Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February** at **Beech Village Hall**. However, if representatives from Gladman Developments Ltd have commitments that would prevent them from attending on this date; or if they do not wish to participate; they have been given the opportunity to make the Examiner aware of this. I enclose the draft formal Notice of Hearing for your information, which will be finalized when I have heard back from Gladman Developments Ltd regarding their availability for the Hearing.

If the date and time is confirmed as suitable for all invitees, the Independent Examiner will draft an agenda for the Hearing, which will be circulated and made available on East Hampshire District Council's website.

I trust the above is clear, but please contact Kevin Thurlow (using the details shown above), if you have any questions or concerns regarding the Hearing.

Yours faithfully



Victoria Potts Planning Policy Manager