Examination of the Mole Valley Local Plan 2020-2037 (the Plan/Local Plan) Inspector – Ms R Barrett BSc (Hons) MSc MRTPI IHBC Programme Officer – Louise St John Howe

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In June 2023 the Council requested an extended pause in this examination pending publication of a revised National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF). The Inspector agreed to that request.

Yesterday the Government published its revised NPPF. The Inspector therefore now wishes for the examination to continue. As a starting point, the Inspector requests that the Council prepares a note setting out the implications of the new NPPF for the Plan in examination. In particular, she draws the Council's attention to paragraph 230, which, amongst other things, sets out the transitional arrangements for plans in preparation. This note should be provided by **Friday 12 January 2024**. If appropriate, the Inspector will then give interested parties an opportunity to set out their positions on the implications for the Plan.

The extended pause has meant that the examination of the Council's Plan has not progressed for some time. The Inspector reminds the Council however that the examination of the Plan has reached an advanced stage, with the next step towards adoption being consultation on the Inspector's schedule of Main Modifications (ED59).

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INSPECTOR

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