

Archwiliad Cynllun Datblygu Lleol Newydd Sir Fynwy 2018-2033 Monmouthshire Replacement Local Development Plan 2018-2033 Examination

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Dear Mr Jones

Replacement Monmouthshire Local Development Plan (LDP)

Thank you for your letter dated 15 December 2025 responding to our request for further information regarding effects on riverine Special Areas of Conservation (SACs). We recognise the work carried out by the Council so far in progressing this matter and wish to acknowledge your ongoing efforts towards addressing our concerns.

PEDW is committed to ensuring the efficient and effective management of the examination process and, having considered your request, we agree to proceed with the examination following the end of the current suspension period (i.e. 23 February 2026). This is, however, dependent upon the Council's adherence to the timescales it has set in Appendix 1 to your letter, which envisages the submission of all remaining information and documentation by 30 April 2026 at the latest.

With regard to the scope of the work identified in Appendix 1, we consider this appears to address our key concerns. We would, however, draw your attention to our request, which refers to consideration of 'non-residential' development, rather than 'employment' allocations (as referenced in Task 3 of Appendix 1), and information relating to dwelling numbers and site densities, which has not been explicitly identified in the task list.

We trust the content of this letter is clear but if you have any queries, please contact the Programme Officer as soon as possible.

This letter will be published on the examination website. We are not inviting any comments or responses from interested parties.

Yours sincerely,

J de-Courcey and C MacFarlane

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