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FAO: Inspector J Gilbert & Inspector D McCreery Mrs Kerry Trueman Programme Officer Pendragon House 1 Bertram Drive Meols Wirral CH47 0LG

Dear Mrs Trueman,

Monthly progress update - May 2023.

The below provides the monthly progress update for May 2023 as requested by the Inspectors in their letter dated 11th October 2022.

- 1. The collection of data for the 2022-2023 monitoring year has been completed. The team is in the process of verifying this data in order to prepare updates to the full suite of monitoring documents in order to provide the examination with the most up to date data. It is anticipated that the 2023 editions of the Council's monitoring documents will be published by Summer 2023.
- 2. There remains a number of vacancies within the Spatial Policy team and the Council are in the process of resourcing the team both in the short and longer term.
- Local Elections were held in Lichfield District on 4th May 2023. The outcome of the elections have resulted in a minority Conservative led administration. A new Cabinet was appointed on the 23rd May 2023, with Councillor Alex Farrell being appointed as Cabinet Member for Housing and Local Plan.

Yours sincerely

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Simon Fletcher

Chief Executive