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16th January 2025

Dear Cllrs,

Re: Notification of submission of Outline Planning Application for proposals Land west of Downs Road, Witney

I write following our discussion with Members of Witney Town Council in October 2023, as part of a wider consultation exercise to introduce Hallam Land and their role in bringing forward development proposals on land west of Downs Road Witney.

Our meeting (via Microsoft Teams) with Witney Town Council was valuable and helped the team to understand the aspirations of the community including in respect to community facilities and open space uses particularly in the context of the facilities provided at the recent development at Windrush Place.

Following consultation and feedback, Hallam Land has submitted a planning application to West Oxfordshire District Council seeking outline planning permission for a residential development for up to 370 homes including affordable homes. This is reduced in number from what was previously consulted upon, but still delivers significant areas of green open space to provide a new parkland resource, formal and informal play and recreation provision (including informal kick about space, allotments and leisure routes), sustainable surface water drainage, delivery of net biodiversity gain and effective and permanent landscape offset from the settlement of Minster Lovell to the west of Witney.

The Illustrative Masterplan is provided for information.

The site is already served by an appropriate and suitable highway access that includes provision for pedestrian, cycle and bridle users and this will help support the early delivery of the site and indeed its benefits to the local area such as a mix of new homes, including affordable and local open space and recreation and leisure provision for the new and existing communities.

Hallam has been in close dialogue with West Oxfordshire District Council and mindful of the emerging local plan review, Hallam will continue to work with the Council and its stakeholders to ensure these proposals are complementary to the wider growth of Witney and that connections are designed in and appropriate contributions to infrastructure are secured.

Witney Town Council will be formally notified of the application submission and will have the opportunity to make formal

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representations to West Oxfordshire District Council, however, we wanted to make you aware of the submission and would of course be happy to discuss the proposals further should that be welcomed.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully



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