Examination of the Central Lincolnshire Local Plan 2018 - 2040

Examination in Public Hearings – November - December 2022 Matter 2 – Housing, Employment and Retail Need

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1. Introduction

- 1.1. This Statement has been submitted on behalf of Thonock and Somerby Estate (TSE) as part of the Examination in Public of the Central Lincolnshire Local Plan (CLLP). The Statement highlights and where necessary expands upon representations submitted by TSE at the Regulation 18 and 19 stages of the CLLP.
- 1.2. As the largest landowner in and around Gainsborough, TSE wish to be a pro-active participant in the Local Plan process. TSE have built relationships with the Lincolnshire Planning Authorities intend to play a full and active role in ensuring the wider planning strategy and framework for Gainsborough is deliverable in the timescales envisaged by the planning process.
- 1.3. During the preparation of the current adopted Local Plan (2017) we worked closely with the Lincolnshire Planning Authorities, particularly West Lindsey District Council (WLDC), to agree and deliver a development programme for key Gainsborough sites. We continue to work together towards these objectives and this collaborative approach has continued into the most recent Local Plan subject to the EIP.
- 1.4. This Statement responds to the Inspectors' Matters, Issues and Questions, providing further detail and clarity on Matter 2 Housing, Employment and Retail Need with particular reference to the Gainsborough Northern Neighbourhood and the Gainsborough Southern Neighbourhood.

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2. Matter 2 – Housing, Employment and Retail Need

Issue 4 – Viability

Q7. When taking into account the need for and cost of likely development contributions, will the policies in the Local Plan undermine its deliverability?

2.1. No, but flexibility must be shown by all parties throughout and prioritising some policy requirements over others. The experience of starting to deliver two SUEs in Gainsborough has demonstrated this.

