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Martha Savage and Kevin Ward
The Planning Inspectorate

Subject: OLP2040 withdrawal Your ref: PINS/G3310/429/9

Date: 17.02.25

Dear Ms Savage and Mr Ward,

RE: Oxford Local Plan 2040 Post Hearings Letter

Thank you for your letter of 20.11.24. In this letter you set out that Oxford City Council had two clear choices. One of these choices was to proceed with the examination and receive a final report that would bring the hearings to a close, and which would reflect the findings of your letter dated 11.09.24 and inevitably find the plan unsound. The other choice was to withdraw the plan.

You requested to be informed of the choice made. This letter is to update the Planning Inspectorate with the decision of Oxford City Council, which was to withdraw the plan. The decision was taken at a meeting of full Council on 27th January 2025

(https://mycouncil.oxford.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=157&Mld=7810&Ver=4).

Please also accept this letter as formal notification that Oxford City Council no longer requires the Planning Inspectorate to provide examination services for the Oxford Local Plan 2040 pursuant to the SLA.

Yours sincerely,

Rachel Williams

Planning Policy and Place Manager