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Dear Mrs Eagling,

Thank you for your correspondence dated 9 October 2025.

Paragraph 2 of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) states "*Planning law requires that applications for planning permission be determined in accordance with the development plan, unless material considerations indicate otherwise. The National Planning Policy Framework must be taken into account in preparing the development plan, and is a material consideration in planning decisions. Planning policies and decisions must also reflect relevant international obligations and statutory requirements.*" The NPPF can be found at [National Planning Policy Framework](#).

Local planning authorities are expected to implement policies in their local plan. Where a local planning authority is not implementing a policy specified in a local plan, the local planning authority's monitoring report must identify that policy and include a statement of the reasons why the local planning authority are not implementing the policy and the steps (if any) that the local planning authority intend to take to secure that the policy is implemented.

Thank you for writing in on this important matter.

Yours sincerely,

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