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Subject: Chieveley Settlement boundary 2022-39 LPR

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Dear Planning Policy at West Berkshire Council,

I am the joint owner of a plot of land and garage on Morphetts Lane Chieveley included in the 2017 HSA DPD as CHI016 under boundary Changes too Small to allocate now called CHI014.

It has been in family ownership for 53 years, Morphetts lane used as an access at all times with or without vehicles and a right established to drive on the footpath. As such a prescriptive access is noted on the HMLR title gained by long use.

Any questions regarding this I am happy to answer.I have not been consulted. I apologise for my late response and hope that my letter will be included in the consultation and put forward to the inspector when he is appointed.

I have been following closely the stages of the Local Plan Review in which it was stated that settlement boundary maps would be included in the plan by the spring of 2021.

I was unable to locate these and there was no written reference to boundary changes for Chieveley that I could find.

It has now come to my attention that there is a proposal for the settlement boundary to the North of the Village of Chieveley to revert to its pre 2017 HSA DPD position.

There seems to be no evidence put forward for this and the change would appear to be arbitrary.

Chieveley Parish Council wrote in response to Consultation on the LPR 2022-39 settlement boundary review in 2020 page 136

"The settlement boundaries were reviewed for the housing site Allocations Development Plan Document adopted in May 2017. Nothing has changed since then. The settlement boundaries for Chieveley and Courage seem appropriate the Parish Council is unaware of any compelling need to Change them"

In this document the response from West Berks Council Certainly does not mention changes to the settlement boundary North of the village.

The Kirkham Landscape report is used as base evidence for the 2022-2039 LPR in which it highlights that in this part of the village there would be no harm to the landscape from some development.

The 2017 HSA DPD was a rigorously researched and endlessly consulted upon ,legal document. Is there any evidence to say the settlement boundary of Chieveley was established in the wrong location?

If there is a proposal for the settlement boundary to be moved where is the

proposal?

From ,Review of settlement boundaries West Berks LPR 2022-39

"Settlement boundaries create a level of certainty about whether or not the principle of development is likely to be acceptable."

Considering that, should a settlement boundary be moved without reason within 5 years?

From 2011 to 2017 my family and I participated in the HSA DPD as complete amateurs with no planning or Planning Policy skills. We were patiently guided by West Berks Planning Policy through the process of the plan as to the correct pathway.

I strongly object to this backward step and question the transparency of this part of the Plan.

Please May I have conformation of the receipt this email. Regards, Charles manly