PUBLIC INQUIRY - NEW HOSPITAL PLANNING APPLICATION REFERENCE P.2021/1670

INSPECTOR'S NOTE - ADOPTION OF THE BRIDGING ISLAND PLAN

On 25 March 2022, the Bridging Island Plan (BIP) was adopted by the States Assembly and became the statutory development plan for Jersey. It is therefore the operative plan for the forthcoming Public Inquiry into the new hospital planning application.

Pre-publication drafts of the various chapters of the BIP have now been prepared and published. These incorporate the substantive changes to policies that have been agreed by the States Assembly. The changes are highlighted in green throughout the document. The individual chapter documents can be accessed via this link:

Bridging Island Plan: pre-publication drafts (gov.je)

The pre-publication draft BIP will be used for the Inquiry and I will be making my assessment against the adopted policies.

As there have been a number of representations concerning the timings of the BIP adoption and the Inquiry, I consider it appropriate to allow all parties an opportunity to make any written comments on any of the policy amendments, which I will then consider in preparing my report.

Any comments or submissions should relate specifically to a policy amendment, i.e. the green highlighted text, and should explain how that change affects any case already made and the merits of the application proposal.

Any comments on these matters should be made in writing and sent to the Programme Officer by 5.00pm on Friday 22 April 2022.

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