

**SOUTH HAMS DISTRICT
COUNCIL**

Follaton House,
Plymouth Rd,
Totnes,
Devon,
TQ9 5NE

**SHERFORD AREA
ACTION PLAN -
EXAMINATION**

Karen Boyle
Programme Officer

Tel: (01803) 861353

Fax: (01803) 861404

Karen.boyle@southhams.gov.uk

Your ref:

Our ref:

Date: 8th February 2007

Dear Sir/Madam

Sherford Area Action Plan – Sustainability Appraisal

As you are aware the examination hearings for the Sherford AAP will re-open at 9.30 am on Tuesday 24th and Wednesday 25th April at Follaton House, Totnes to consider the review of the Sustainability Appraisal (SA).

It has been agreed that the Council will produce the revised SA w/c 19 February 2007. This will include an assessment of the Sherford Refined site on a compare and contrast basis with the Sherford AAP site and refer to information about the Sherford Refined site submitted in December 2006. The Co-op and other parties will provide any further information sought by the Council by no later than Friday 9 February.

The document will include further consideration of certain matters raised by the Co-op on the first day of the Examination,

(i) bats

(ii) archaeology

(iii) flood risk

and raised by the Co-op on day 7 of the Examination:-

(iv) wind turbines

It will also include, at the request of the Co-op, a comparison of the Sherford Refined site on all environmental grounds and information on the impact upon Dartmoor SAC, Plymouth Sound and Estuaries SAC and the Tamar Estuaries SPA.

The SA will then be published for a 6 week public consultation. Written representations submitted by those parties responding to the SA according to the issues set out for the Examination and the Council's formal response to these representations will form the submissions for the re-opened examination, in addition to those already submitted. The deadline is Thursday 5th April 2007. The Council will then respond to those submissions by 16th April, one week before the examination starts.

Once the review SA has been published I will forward a copy to all those concerned. All relevant documents will be available on the website once published.

I have also attached the programme for these two days of the examination.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'K Boyle'.

Karen Boyle
Programme Officer