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Dear Sir

**The Hargrave Neighbourhood Development Plan – Examiner’s Initial  
Comments Response**

The Council’s Planning Policy response (relating to the former East Northamptonshire area) is set out as follows:

To clarify:

The Raunds Town Plan referenced in the Hargrave Neighbourhood Steering Group response does not form part of the Council’s Statutory Development Plan. The “Important Open Area” referred to a draft Raunds Town Plan (1996). This document was only ever produced in a draft format and was not adopted, it therefore carries no weight. The most relevant, policy approach is referenced within the North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy (2011 – 2031): Policy 8 - North Northamptonshire Place Shaping Principles and the Submitted East Northamptonshire Local Plan Part 2 (2011 – 2031): Policy EN9 - Designation of Local Green Space which states that, in accordance with the NPPF, Local Green Space may be designated through Neighbourhood Plans.

Yours faithfully

██████████ (Planning Policy Officer)