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Dear Clare Milligan,

I write to you in respect of your request for a meeting with the Castle Point Plan Board.

I have reviewed Leigh-on-Sea Town Council's representation to the recent Issues and Options consultation and appreciate the matters raised.

Having read the Issues and Options Document you will be aware that it was a thorough consultation seeking the views on all the sites that had been promoted to the Council. In taking this approach we provided all stakeholders including yourself the opportunity to make their views clear. We did not rely on assumptions and can use the consultation outcomes to evidence the support and objection to the various sites and other proposals included in the document. The consultation responses will form a critical part of the evidence used to develop the draft Castle Point Plan, including those sites to include, and those sites to omit.

Given the clarity of your consultation response to the Issues and Options consultation, I do not feel it is necessary to meet with you at this stage in the process. We are clear on the matters you have raised, and I assure you that we will be taking your representation into account as we formulate the draft Castle Point Plan for publication early in the New Year.

If, however, we feel that the proposals we finally include in the draft Castle Point Plan will give rise to impacts on Leigh-on-Sea, we will engage with you at that time.

Your sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W. Gibson', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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