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Dear Sir/Madam:

The Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea Basements, Conservation & Design and Miscellaneous Matters Examinations

Late response – Basements Planning Policy Partial Review Examination

Thank you for your email of 25 June 2014 asking if I would take into account a late written response from your firm, which consists of a query to the Borough Council of 17 June 2014 and its emailed reply of 24 June 2014.

Although the Inspectorate's *Examining Local Plans Procedural Practice* says that Inspectors will adopt a robust approach to late requests to attend hearings (paragraph 4.3), the handling of representations submitted after the close of the Partial Review's consultation period (i.e. 26 March 2014) is not mentioned:

http://www.planningportal.gov.uk/uploads/pins/dpd_procedure_guide.pdf

However, I consider that this information would assist me in determining the soundness of the Partial Review, and so I have decided to accept it on the basis that it is a late response.

Please note that my acceptance does not make it a properly made representation which is legally compliant with Regulation 20 of the 2012 Local Planning Regulations.

It does not, therefore, give your firm a legal right to be heard at the hearings. However, I will ask my Programme Officer to include your firm on the circulation list which will enable you to respond in writing to my forthcoming Matters, Issues and

Questions, should you so wish. Guidance Notes about this aspect of the Examination are available on the Examination web site at:

<http://www.rbkc.gov.uk/planningandbuildingcontrol/planningpolicy/developmentplan/corestrategypartialreview/examination-partialreview.aspx>

Yours sincerely,

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Inspector