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To whom it may concern,

### **Additional Housing Options Consultation**

Please accept this letter as representations to the Additional Housing Options consultation on behalf of MF Freeman. The representations have regard to Freeman Homes' land interest at land north of Nympsfield Road, Nailsworth (site reference PS07).

MF Freeman welcome the District Council's further progression of the Local Plan Review, and support the decision to consult on additional housing options as a proactive approach to potential changes in respect of the 'standard method' for calculating housing requirements.

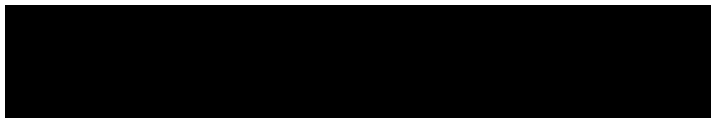
Of the additional housing options in the consultation paper, MF Freeman endorse Option A (Intensify) as the most sustainable option for identifying additional housing options for the local plan. Ensuring that development sites already identified in the Plan are used efficiently will return overall environmental benefits by reducing the necessity for additional greenfield sites (and associated environmental impacts) being brought into the Plan. Higher density housing can help create character of built form and can be integrated with multi-purpose areas of open space and landscaping to maintain high standards of design and deliver high quality living environments. The intensification and efficient use of allocated sites in towns and villages within the Stroud valleys is considered particularly appropriate to help reduce development pressure in areas of the District where the landscape quality and sensitivity is high.

MF Freeman do not support the identification of additional growth points at this stage of the Plan unless replacing an existing strategic allocation. Pending confirmation from Government on the standard methodology, it may be unnecessary for such additional sites to come into the plan at this stage. Rather, flexibility for the growth requirement can be sought through the intensification of existing allocations across the District.

Land north of Nympsfield Road, Nailsworth (site reference PS07) remains available, suitable and deliverable for housing development. MF Freeman intend to submit a planning application for the allocated site when the local plan review has reached a suitably advanced stage.

Should you have any queries regarding the above or any other matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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