

**BATH AND NORTH EAST SOMERSET CORE STRATEGY
EXAMINATION**

INSPECTOR'S FURTHER PRELIMINARY COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS (2)

ADDENDUM

There was one matter that I omitted from my note of 12 August 2011 that I would be grateful if the Council would also consider.

Policy CP6 *Environmental quality* requires (1b) that all major housing schemes meet CABE's Building for Life good standard as a minimum.

I encourage the Council to reconsider the appropriateness of embedding within a development plan policy a requirement to meet a specific standard for Building for Life, bearing in mind the formal process required to assess buildings under that scheme. I required a change to a similar policy in the Bristol Core Strategy (see my report on the Examination of that plan, March 2011 paragraph 126). I do not know whether the reduced activities of CABE will affect the Building for Life accreditation process.

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15 August 2011**