

## HOUSE OF COMMONS

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Bill Cullen, Chief Executive, Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council, Hinckley Hub, Rugby Road, Hinckley, LE10 0FR

6 October 2023

Dear Bill,

## **Re: Recent Improvements in the Planning Department**

I write following the receipt of a letter from the Minister for Housing and Planning, Rachel Maclean MP, to thank you and the team in the Planning Department for your work in securing improvements in the performance statistics for decision making on non-major applications.

I know it may have been tough over the past few months with coverage in the local press on the performance of the Borough Council on non-major applications in the 24 months up to the end of December 2022. I'm pleased to see the Minister has recognised that performance has improved to 90% between April and June 2023.

Often when these political arguments take place it can seem as though you're on the receiving end, but please be assured that I'm grateful for everything you do in your department for our community.

Long may these improvements continue, and I hope this goes towards facilitating the work of the department in protecting our area by producing an up-to-date Local Plan soon.

Thank you for all of your hard work and dedication to this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Dr Luke Evans Member of Parliament for Bosworth