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Dear Isabel,

Thanks for the notification of the Reg 16 consultation on the Sedgeberrow neighbourhood development plan. There are no specific objections to the plan but some background information that may be pertinent to the plan.

The area is serviced by one primary school Sedgeberrow CE First School. The school has the capacity to support 30 primary aged children per year group. As it is the only school within the vicinity of the parish, and other primary schools have no safe walking route, Sedgeberrow CE Primary is a very popular rural school with families that live in this area. The school has an 'Outstanding' status from Ofsted dated 29/02/2014, which only goes to bolster the popularity within the area. Families also travel from the wider area to attend; Broadway, Ashton and parts of Evesham.

The school has always had a PAN 30 however will need to increase its intake numbers due to the increased number of housing that is planned for the village. The school is nearing capacity or full in all year groups and WCF forecast the school will remain this way for the foreseeable future. On average the school has a reception intake of 29 pupils attending a year staying steady until 2025.

Future housing in the parish is likely to attract more families to the village. At time of writing there were 51 children (0-4 years old) within the parish that will be attending the school within the next 4 years. While the school will be able to accommodate children from the parish in the future, increased housing demand will increase number of children accessing the school, either through the normal entry point or in year additions due to migration. In addition, 59% of Sedgeberrow pupils travel into the area.

The secondary school catchment Prince Henry High School. Families shouldn't find difficulty obtaining a place. The schools is rated 'Outstanding' by Ofsted from the 22/05/2013.

During 2021 and 2022 there were two planning applications within the area of Sedgeberrow. Both applications are currently awaiting a decision; one on Church Hill Road for 16 dwellings and the other on Winchcombe Road for 9 dwellings.

It is noted within the neighbourhood plan, the Springfield Nursery Site (NP Site Ref 1) will deliver approximately 24 dwellings, combined with the outstanding 2 planning applications will equate to 49

dwellings, meaning there will be a yield of 13 primary age pupils, 2-3 pupils per year group. There is potential need for the school to expand should all these applications go through.

Kind Regards,

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