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(Via email)

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Dear Mr Cooper,

**Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004**  
**The Town and Country Planning (Local Development Plan) (Wales)**  
**Regulations 2005**  
**Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council Local Development Plan**

I enclose the Inspector's report on the soundness of the above Local Development Plan (LDP).

The Inspector would like to thank Tracey Smith, the Programme Officer, for the efficient way in which she organised the administration of the examination and for her patience and support throughout the process. Her contribution has proved invaluable in ensuring that the examination has been conducted efficiently and with due regard to the interests of all participants, the majority of whom were unfamiliar with the LDP examination procedure.

The Inspector is also grateful to John Raine and his colleagues for their cooperation, assistance and hard work during the examination.

A copy of the report has been sent directly to the Welsh Government.

Yours sincerely,

*Anthony Thickett*

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