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Dear Roger,

On behalf of Empty Shop CIC I am pleased to place on record our support for the Neighbourhood Planning Forum's draft plan.

We are supportive of the vast majority of the policies, the overall objectives and the thematic areas contained within the plan. As a Community Interest Company with a focus on regeneration through adaptive reuse we particularly welcome the commitment throughout to a rich community life that places heritage, culture and town-centre appropriate business at the heart of the neighbourhood.

Attempts through policy to create a more balanced economic and residential make-up are much needed in the continued absence of the County Durham plan.

Please note where we have raised question marks in our response to the consultation questionnaire we have done so in a constructive and supportive spirit. Do not hesitate to contact us in the event you would welcome any further input into the plan as you re-draft ahead of the forthcoming 2018 referendum.

Best,
Nick Malyan

Director
Empty Shop CIC