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Dear Cameron,

Thank you for your email of the 12 September 2024, inviting us to comment on the Regulation 16 consultation for the Tavistock Neighbourhood Development Plan.

Our role as a national statutory consultee for Neighbourhood Planning focuses mainly on ensuring there is no risk of undue harm to heritage assets. The most common way that risk of harm emerges in Neighbourhood Plans is when new, site-specific allocations for development are being made.

We note that the Tavistock Neighbourhood Development Plan itself does not make specific site allocations for development. Furthermore, we cannot detect any obvious cause for concern in the suite of emerging policies. Given the limited risk of harm to heritage, we do not wish to make any detailed comments. However, we welcome Policy HER1: Protecting Local Heritage and Policy HER2: Priority Projects in the Historic Environment. The heritage evidence base is well researched and the policies are carefully framed to protect the heritage. We welcome the Tavistock Neighbourhood Area Design Code and Guidelines.

I hope that our response has been helpful. We wish the neighbourhood plan steering group well with their on-going work towards a made plan.

Kind Regards,
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