

WILTSHIRE HOUSING SITE ALLOCATIONS PLAN (WHSAP) EXAMINATION

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HEARING AGENDA – DAY 1

TUESDAY 2 APRIL at 9.30am & 2pm

1. Matter 1: Legal Compliance:

Issue 1: Whether all statutory and regulatory requirements have been met?

- In preparing the Plan, has the Council complied with the Duty to Cooperate required by Section 33A of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended).
- Is the WHSAP compliant with the Council's Local Development Scheme in terms of its form, scope and timing?
- Has consultation on the Plan been carried out in accordance with the Council's adopted Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) and the minimum consultation requirements in the Regulations?
- Has the Sustainability Appraisal (SA) been prepared having regard to the requirements of the Strategic Environmental Assessment Directive and Regulations and guidance in the PPG? Is it clear how the SA influenced the final plan and dealt with mitigation measures, and has it sufficiently evaluated reasonable alternatives?
- Have the Habitat Regulations Assessment (HRA) and relevant addenda been carried out in accordance with the appropriate Regulations?
- Are the policies of the Plan designed to secure that the development and use of land contribute to the mitigation of, and adaptation to, climate change in accordance with Section 19(1A) of the Act?
- Has the preparation of the WHSAP complied with the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 Part 2 and the Town and Country Planning (Local Plan) (England) Regulations 2012 in all other respects?

2. Matter 5: Monitoring

Issue 7: Does the Plan have a clear and effective mechanism for implementation, delivery and monitoring?

- Is there a clear and robust framework for the delivery and monitoring of WHSAP policies?

3. Matter 2: Consistency with Wiltshire Core Strategy (WCS)

Issues 2, 3 & 4: Does the WHSAP make adequate provision to meet housing requirements as set out in the WCS, does the distribution of site allocations accord with the spatial strategy and has the site selection process for allocations been soundly based?

- What is the most appropriate scale at which to consider provision in order to assess consistency with the WCS?
- What scale of housing development is the WHSAP is required to meet to be consistent with WCS, taking into account completions, committed developments and windfalls? Are the components of supply justified?
- Does the WHSAP make adequate provision, taking into account anticipated delivery over the plan period?
- Is the distribution of housing allocations consistent with the spatial strategy set out in the WCS?
- Is the overall approach to site selection soundly based?