

Examination of the South Worcestershire Development Plan

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STAGE 2c OF THE EXAMINATION HEARINGS

INSPECTOR'S MATTERS, ISSUES AND QUESTIONS

The invited participants should use these Matters, Issues and Questions as the basis for preparing their hearing statements.

References in the questions below to “the Council’s delivery trajectories” mean the Housing Trajectories currently published on the Examination webpage as EX/620a,b,c&d. (The Housing Trajectories numbered CD229a,b,c&d in the Core Documents list are identical to EX/620a,b,c&d.) However, updated versions of these Housing Trajectories may be published before the Stage 2c hearings begin and so participants should keep an eye on the Examination webpage for notification of any updates.

Apart from the Councils, there is no obligation on participants to address every question in their hearing statements. You need only address those questions relevant to your representation(s). Please remember there is a 3,000 word limit per matter (excluding appendices). See the Inspector’s Guidance Note for further information.

If you have nothing to add to your original representations, you may rely on them without submitting a further statement. Please advise the Programme Officer by 20 April 2015 if this is what you intend to do.

Tuesday 12 May 2015, AM & PM, beginning at 0930

Matter P: Worcester City allocations (SWDP 43 & PM45-86)

Main issue – Whether or not the site allocations in Worcester City are soundly based and deliverable.

Questions:

The questions below apply to each of the sites proposed for allocation by policy SWDP 43, as amended by the PMs.

- 1) Are the site allocation and the amount of development proposed for each site justified, having regard to the likely impacts of the development and the provision of necessary infrastructure?

- 2) Are the specific requirements of the policy justified and consistent with national policy?
- 3) Is the development proposed for each site deliverable in the timescales envisaged in the Council's delivery trajectories?

Wednesday 13 May 2015, AM only, beginning at 0930

Matter Q: Worcester City Centre allocations (SWDP 44 & PM87-88)

Main issue – Whether or not the retail site and Opportunity Zone allocations and the policy framework for Worcester City Centre are soundly based and deliverable.

Questions:

- 1) Are the site allocation and the amount of development proposed for each site justified, having regard to the likely impacts of the development and the provision of necessary infrastructure?
- 2) Are the specific requirements of the policy justified and consistent with national policy?
- 3) Is the housing development proposed for certain of the sites deliverable in the timescales envisaged in the Council's delivery trajectories?
- 4) Should a City Centre Primary Shopping Area, and Primary and Secondary Shopping Frontages, be defined on the Policies Map?
- 5) Should the Secondary Shopping Frontage extend along the north side of George St and St Martin's Gate to include the Shrub Hill Retail Park?

Wednesday 13 May 2015, PM only, beginning at 1400

Matter R: Pershore sites

Pershore allocations (SWDP 46 & PM 150-151)

Pershore urban extension (SWDP 47 & PM 152-154)

Main issue – Whether or not the site allocations at Pershore are soundly based and deliverable.

Questions:

The questions below apply to each of the sites proposed for allocation by policies SWDP 46 & 47, as amended by the PMs.

- 1) Are the site allocation and the amount of development proposed for each site justified, having regard to the likely impacts of the development and the provision of necessary infrastructure?
- 2) Are the specific requirements of the policy justified and consistent with national policy?
- 3) Is the housing development that is proposed for each site deliverable in the timescales envisaged in the Council's delivery trajectories?

Thursday 14 May 2015, AM & PM, beginning at 0930

Matter S: Droitwich Spa sites

Droitwich Spa allocations (SWDP 48)

Droitwich Spa urban extensions (SWDP 49 & PM 155-157)

Main issue – Whether or not the site allocations at Droitwich Spa are soundly based and deliverable.

Questions:

The questions below apply to each of the sites proposed for allocation by policies SWDP 48 & 49, as amended by the PMs.

- 1) Are the site allocation and the amount of development proposed for each site justified, having regard to the likely impacts of the development and the provision of necessary infrastructure?
- 2) Are the specific requirements of the policy justified and consistent with national policy?
- 3) Is the housing development that is proposed for each site deliverable in the timescales envisaged in the Council's delivery trajectories?

Tuesday 19 May 2015, AM only, beginning at 0930

Matter T: Evesham sites

Evesham allocations (SWDP 50 & PM 158-160)

Evesham urban extensions (SWDP 51)

Main issue – Whether or not the site allocations at Evesham are soundly based and deliverable.

Questions:

The questions below apply to each of the sites proposed for allocation by policies SWDP 50 & 51, as amended by the PMs.

- 1) Are the site allocation and the amount of development proposed for each site justified, having regard to the likely impacts of the development and the provision of necessary infrastructure?
- 2) Are the specific requirements of the policy justified and consistent with national policy?
- 3) Is the housing development that is proposed for each site deliverable in the timescales envisaged in the Council's delivery trajectories?

Tuesday 19 May 2015, PM only, beginning at 1400

Matter W: Upton-upon-Severn allocations (SWDP 58 & PM 185-190)

Main issue – Whether or not the allocations at Upton-upon-Severn are soundly based and deliverable.

Questions:

The questions below apply to each of the sites proposed for allocation by policy SWDP 58, as amended by the PMs.

- 1) Are the site allocation and the amount of development proposed for each site justified, having regard to the likely impacts of the development and the provision of necessary infrastructure?
- 2) Are the specific requirements of the policy justified and consistent with national policy?
- 3) Is the development proposed for each site deliverable in the timescales envisaged in the Council's delivery trajectories?

Matter U: Tenbury Wells allocations (SWDP 57 & PM 181-184)

Main issue – Whether or not the site allocations at Tenbury Wells are soundly based and deliverable.

Questions:

The questions below apply to each of the sites proposed for allocation by policy SWDP 57, as amended by the PMs.

- 1) Are the site allocation and the amount of development proposed for each site justified, having regard to the likely impacts of the development and the provision of necessary infrastructure?
- 2) Are the specific requirements of the policy justified and consistent with national policy?
- 3) Is the development proposed for each site deliverable in the timescales envisaged in the Council's delivery trajectories?

Wednesday 20 May 2015, AM & PM, beginning at 0930

Matter V: Malvern sites

Malvern allocations (SWDP 52 & PM 161-172)

Malvern Technology Centre (QinetiQ) (SWDP 53 & PM 173-175)

Blackmore Park (SWDP 54)

Main issue – Whether or not the site allocations at Malvern are soundly based and deliverable.

Questions:

The questions below apply to each of the sites proposed for allocation by policies SWDP 52, 53 & 54 as amended by the PMs.

- 1) Are the site allocation and the amount of development proposed for each site justified, having regard to the likely impacts of the development and the provision of necessary infrastructure?
- 2) Are the specific requirements of the policy justified and consistent with national policy?
- 3) Is the housing development that is proposed for each site deliverable in the timescales envisaged in the Council's delivery trajectories?

Tuesday 2 June 2015, AM & PM, beginning at 0930

Matter X1: Category 1 villages – Malvern Hills (SWDP 59 & PM 191-208)

Main issue – Whether or not the residential site allocations in the Malvern Hills Category 1 Villages are soundly based and deliverable.

Questions:

The questions below apply to each of the sites in Malvern Hills District proposed for allocation by policy SWDP 59.

- 1) Are the site allocation and the amount of development proposed for each site justified, having regard to the likely impacts of the development and the provision of necessary infrastructure?
- 2) Are the specific requirements of the policy justified and consistent with national policy?
- 3) Is the development proposed for each site deliverable in the timescales envisaged in the Council's delivery trajectories?

Wednesday 3 June 2015, AM & PM, beginning at 0930

Matter X2: Category 2 & Category 3 villages – Malvern Hills

Category 2 villages (SWDP 60 & PM 218-225)

Category 3 villages (SWDP 61 & PM 234-235)

Main issue – Whether or not the residential site allocations in the Malvern Hills Category 2 and Category 3 Villages are soundly based and deliverable.

Questions:

The questions below apply to each of the sites in Malvern Hills District proposed for allocation by policies SWDP 60 & 61, as amended by the PMs.

- 1) Are the site allocation and the amount of development proposed for each site justified, having regard to the likely impacts of the development and the provision of necessary infrastructure?
- 2) Are the specific requirements of the policy justified and consistent with national policy?
- 3) Is the development proposed for each site deliverable in the timescales envisaged in the Council's delivery trajectories?

Thursday 4 June 2015, AM & PM, beginning at 0930

Matter X3: Category 1 villages – Wychavon (SWDP 59 & PM 209-217)

Main issue – Whether or not the residential site allocations in the Wychavon Category 1 Villages are soundly based and deliverable.

Questions:

The questions below apply to each of the sites in Wychavon District proposed for allocation by policy SWDP 59, as amended by the PMs.

- 1) Are the site allocation and the amount of development proposed for each site justified, having regard to the likely impacts of the development and the provision of necessary infrastructure?
- 2) Are the specific requirements of the policy justified and consistent with national policy?
- 3) Is the development proposed for each site deliverable in the timescales envisaged in the Council's delivery trajectories?

Friday 5 June 2015, AM & PM, beginning at 0930

Matter X4: Category 2 & Category 3 villages – Wychavon

Category 2 villages (SWDP 60 & PM 226-233)

Category 3 villages (SWDP 61 & PM 236-239)

Main issue – Whether or not the residential site allocations in the Wychavon Category 2 and Category 3 Villages are soundly based and deliverable.

Questions:

The questions below apply to each of the sites in Wychavon District proposed for allocation by policy SWDP 60 & 61, as amended by the PMs.

- 1) Are the site allocation and the amount of development proposed for each site justified, having regard to the likely impacts of the development and the provision of necessary infrastructure?
- 2) Are the specific requirements of the policy justified and consistent with national policy?
- 3) Is the development proposed for each site deliverable in the timescales envisaged in the Council's delivery trajectories?