



LEICESTER CITY LOCAL PLAN

MATTERS, ISSUES AND QUESTIONS FOR THE EXAMINATION (MIQs)

MATTER 11

September 2024

MATTER 11 – CULTURE AND TOURISM

Issue 11: Has the Plan been positively prepared and is it justified, effective and consistent with national policy in respect of its policies and proposals for culture and tourism in Leicester?

Burial Space

402. *Paragraph 11.19 of the Plan refers to the requirement for a new burial site between 2025-2030 to address the need for burial space in the city. Whilst paragraph 11.20 recognises burial space and appropriately designed facilities would be acceptable within green wedges and open spaces, no sites have been allocated in the Plan for the development of a new facility. In order to be positively prepared, should the Plan be allocating a site for new burial ground*

Charnwood Borough Council can confirm that it has been in discussion with Leicester City Council through the Duty to Cooperate, regarding the city's need for burial space. On that basis the Charnwood Local Plan 2021-37, which is currently at Examination, includes a Main Modification (MM104) recognising this need and confirming that any proposal to meet Leicester's need in Charnwood is likely to be acceptable in principle in areas of Countryside, Green Wedge and Areas of Local Separation where the proposed built development would be small scale and the layout and landscaping are appropriate to the largely undeveloped character of the area. This recognition is accompanied by a modification to Charnwood Local Plan Policy C1: Countryside (MM105) which gives support to 'the provision of new burial space where there is a proven need, and the layout and landscaping are appropriate to the largely undeveloped character of the area.'