

Leicester Local Plan 2020 to 2036

Examination Hearing - Day 1

Tuesday 1 October 2024

Agenda

Please Note:

- The Hearing session will sit from 1000hrs to 1300hrs, and 1400hrs to 1700hrs, with a short break mid-morning and mid-afternoon.
- Participants are encouraged to familiarise themselves with the Hearing Statements (and any additional evidence) produced by the Council and other parties in respect of the matters addressed at this Hearing session. These are available on the Examination website.
- References to Matters, Issues and Questions (MIQs) are to the MIQs for the Examination (already circulated and on the Examination website as Examination document EXAM 12), unless otherwise stated.
- The Inspectors will determine the areas for discussion in relation to the numbered questions in the MIQs (*in italics and brackets below*), where they consider that further clarification or information may be required.

1. Inspectors' Opening Introduction

2. Council's Opening Statement

3. MATTER 1: DUTY TO CO-OPERATE AND LEGAL COMPLIANCE

Issue 1a: Duty to Co-operate - Has the Council complied with the Duty to Co-operate (DtC) in preparing the Leicester Local Plan (the Plan)? (Questions 1-5)

Areas for Discussion:

- Cross-boundary issues (*Question 1*)
- Engagement (*Question 2*)
- Statements of Common Ground (SoCG), in particular the Leicester & Leicestershire SoCG (*Question 3*)
- Has the DtC been met? (*Questions 4 and 5*)

Participants

Leicester City Council

Blaby District Council [162]

Harborough District Council [282]

Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council [333]

Oadby & Wigston Borough Council [322]

Melton Borough Council
Charnwood Borough Council [311]

Issue 1b: Other Legal and Procedural Compliance - Has the Council complied in all other respects with the legal and procedural requirements in preparing the Plan, as defined in Part 2 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, the Town and Country Planning (Local Plan) (England) Regulations 2012 and the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 (as amended)? (Questions 6-13)

Areas for Discussion:

- Local Development Scheme (*Question 6*)
- Consultation (*Question 7*)
- Sustainability Appraisal (*Questions 8a-g*)
- Equalities Impact Assessment (*Question 9*)
- Habitats Regulations Assessment (*Questions 10-11*)
- Climate Change Policies (*Question 12*)
- Superseded Policies (*Question 13*)

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