

Bassetlaw Local Plan Examination in Public

Matter 1 – Legal Compliance and Overarching Issues

Tuesday 29th November 2022 at 9.30 AM Worksop Town Hall

AGENDA

The Council
Stantec *for* Caddick Developments
D Troop
National Highways
Retford Civic Society
P&DG *for* Welbeck Estates Company Ltd

- 1 Is there compelling evidence that the Council has engaged constructively, actively, and on an on-going basis with statutory consultees in order to maximise the effectiveness of plan preparation?
- 2 Has the plan been prepared in accordance with the adopted Local Development Scheme (May 2022)?
- 3 Has consultation on the plan been carried out in accordance with the Council's Statement of Community Involvement (Jan 2020 and June 2021 Update) and the requirements of the 2004 Act (as amended) and the 2012 Regulations?
 - How did the Council ensure effective consultation during the Covid Pandemic?
- 4 Does the Sustainability Appraisal (SA) provide a comprehensive and robust basis to inform the strategy and contents of the plan, particularly in terms of:
 - Its assessment of the likely effects of the plan's policies and allocations?
 - Its consideration of reasonable alternatives, including the eight spatial strategy options? Does it capture all reasonable alternative site options put forward in the plan preparation process? Can these be compared on a like for like basis?
 - Its explanation of why the preferred strategy and policies were selected?
 - Its assessment of the amount of development that would arise as a result of the provisions in the plan?
- 5 Is the Habitats Regulations Assessment (May 2022) adequate and does the plan include all the recommendations identified in the assessment as necessary to ensure compliance with the Habitats Regulations? Is it robust and convincing in its conclusion that the plan will have no likely significant effects on the integrity of any European sites?
- 6 How have issues of equality been addressed in the Local Plan? Which policies seek to achieve this?
- 7 Is the plan period (2020 – 2038) justified, effective and consistent with national policy? If so, should the requirements/timescales for review of the plan be set out in policy?
- 8 Are there any 'made' Neighbourhood Plans, or any being prepared or in the pipeline? If so, how have these been taken into account and where is this evident? How has the emerging Worksop DPD been taken into account in the preparation of the plan?