MELTON LOCAL PLAN EXAMINATION

Matter 3: Overall Requirements for Housing and Employment Land and the Long-Term Growth Strategy (Policies SS2 and SS6); Affordable Housing Need and Policy Targets (Policies C4, SS4 and SS5)

HEARING AGENDA

Tuesday 30 January 2018, following Matter 1

The agenda sets out the main topics on which the discussion will be focused, taking account of the submitted evidence, representations and written statements.

1. Robustness of HEDNA 2017 OAN figure for Melton of 170 dpa and particularly the adjustments for economic needs and affordability/affordable housing needs

2. Objectives underpinning the housing requirement figure of 245 dpa

3. Implications of 245 dpa for a) the wider HMA, b) homes-jobs balance, c) commuting, d) affordable housing provision, e) infrastructure provision, f) land supply, and g) environmental impacts

4. Role of 245 dpa in meeting unmet needs from elsewhere in the HMA

5. Alignment of total housing requirement figure (6125 dwellings) with the Borough’s economic potential over the Plan period and with prospects and proposals for growth in the wider area

6. Soundness of the target for provision of 51ha employment land

7. Soundness of the affordable housing target of 1300 dwellings against a need figure of 1750

8. Justification for the affordable housing targets in Policies C4, SS4 and SS5

9. Suitability of the proposed approach to the need for Plan review
10. Consistency of the references in paragraphs 4.7.4-4.7.5 and Policy SS6 to other potential sites; clarity of the references in regard to their status as options

11. Implications for the housing requirement figure and other parts of the Plan if it were to be concluded that the proposed annual delivery rates are unlikely to be achieved at least in the next 5 years [note: land supply and realism of the completion rates will be considered in Matter 6]

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