

CALDERDALE LOCAL PLAN
HEARINGS

AGENDA

Wednesday 26th June 2019 at 10.00
Shelf Village Hall, Halifax Road, Shelf, HX3 7NT

MATTER 1 – LEGAL AND PROCEDURAL MATTERS
MATTER 2 – VISION, OBJECTIVES AND OVERALL STRATEGY

Please note:

- All participants are encouraged to familiarise themselves with the hearing statements produced by the Council and other parties in respect of the issues addressed at this session. These are available on the Council's Examination website.
- References to questions in brackets are those posed by the Inspector in the Matters Issues and Questions (MIQs) document. This has already been circulated and can be viewed on the Examination website.
- Please see the Hearings Programme for a list of the participants at each session.

Morning session – 10am

1. Inspector's opening remarks
2. Opening by Calderdale Council

MATTER 1 – LEGAL AND PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Has the Plan been prepared in accordance with statutory procedures and Regulations?

3. Duty to Cooperate [Matter 1a]
 - Engagement with neighbouring authorities to allow cumulative impact on highways network, other infrastructure and air quality to be assessed
 - Delivery of employment needs in the Leeds City Region (LCR)
 - LCR housing target and implications of the standard method
 - Status of Statement of Common Grounds - Kirklees Council and LCR
4. Sustainability Appraisal (SA) [Matter 1b]
 - Level of housing growth in the SA
 - Spatial strategy and distribution of housing growth in the SA
 - Other policies, testing of reasonable alternatives
 - Site options, testing of reasonable alternatives
5. Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) [Matter 1c]
 - HRA Addendum (due to be published on the Council's website prior to the hearing session)
6. Consultation on the Plan [Matter 1d]

Afternoon session – commencing at some point between 1.15pm and 2pm¹

MATTER 2 – VISION, OBJECTIVES AND OVERALL STRATEGY

Does the Plan’s vision, objectives and overall strategy present a positive framework that is consistent with national policy, reflects the borough’s strategic position in the region, and will contribute to the achievement of growth and sustainable development?

7. Vision and strategic objectives [Matter 2a]

- Vision and overall framework
- Strategic objectives

8. Overall strategy

- Broad approach [Matter 2b]
- Out-commuting and self-containment [Matter 2c]

[please note, Matter 2b is a general question about the Plan’s broad approach, involving delivery of identified housing needs in full, with some release of Green Belt land. Discussion on the distribution of growth, the settlement strategy and justification for Green Belt releases will take place at the Stage 2 hearings (date to be confirmed).]

9. Sub-regional context [Matters 2d, 2e, 2f and 2g]

- Extent of economic changes proposed by the Leeds City Region (LCR) Strategic Economic Plan (SEP) and growth strategy
- Impact of these changes on housing growth in the LCR
- Deliverability of the SEP
- Other issues

[please note, item 9 will cover the general sub-regional context. Detailed discussion on whether the proposed level of housing growth in Calderdale has appropriate regard to the LCR strategy and economic ambitions will take place at the Matter 3 session on 27th June 2019.]

10. Policy SD1 [Matter 2h]

- Role/purpose of the policy
- Compliance with the revised National Planning Policy Framework (2019)

11. Policy SD2 [Matter 2i]

- Role/purpose of the policy
- Effectiveness and clarity of the bullet requirements

¹ Participants for the afternoon session are requested to arrive by 1.15pm.