

EAST RIDING LOCAL PLAN UPDATE HEARINGS

AGENDA

**Tuesday 31st October 2023
at County Hall, Beverley HU17 9BA**

Morning session at 9.30am:

**MATTER 1 – LEGAL AND PROCEDURAL MATTERS
MATTER 3 – HOUSING NEED AND REQUIREMENT**

Afternoon session at 2pm:

**MATTER 4 - EMPLOYMENT AND RETAIL/TOWN CENTRE STRATEGY AND
POLICIES**

Please note:

- Please see the Hearings Programme for the list of participants.
- Hearing Statements by other parties and background documents produced by the Council can be viewed on the Examination website.
- If you wish to attend the hearing session to observe, please contact the Programme Officer in advance (booking is essential). Alternatively, the hearing sessions will be livestreamed and available to watch online.
- Please note – a separate session is being held on 'The approach to Freeports' (Matter 4) on Thursday 16th November 2023.

Morning session at 9.30am

1. Inspector's introduction
2. Council's introductory remarks (optional)

MATTER 1 – LEGAL AND PROCEDURAL MATTERS

3. Duty to cooperate
 - Confirmation of Hull City Council's latest position regarding the Dunswell roundabout
 - Update on Hull Local Plan review timetable and housing work
 - What processes and groupings have been used by East Riding to engage with the other local planning authorities?
4. Any comments on the general Sustainability Appraisal (SA) process?

[please note, SA work on the spatial strategy and housing requirement will be dealt with at the Hearing sessions on Matters 2 and 3 respectively]

5. Proposed Yorkshire Wolds AONB – Council’s position on future proofing the Plan?
6. Other legal and procedural matters

MATTER 3 – HOUSING NEED AND REQUIREMENT

7. Should the Local Housing Need figure be based on March 2020 data or October 2022 data when the Regulation 19 Draft Plan was published?
8. Justification for the uplift to 1,100 dwellings per annum (20,900 dwellings over the Plan period)
 - Is the uplift justified on the basis of economic growth strategies as well as delivering additional affordable housing?
 - Does the evidence show that 20,900 dwellings would support the identified need for 208 hectares of additional employment land over the Plan period (and associated delivery of 13,479 new jobs)?
 - How does the actual estimated supply of 24,239 dwellings over the Plan period (as set out in the Council’s Matter 14 Hearing Statement) relate to the required employment land provision of 208 hectares?
 - Does the Sustainability Appraisal work provide adequate testing of reasonable alternative rates of housing growth?

Afternoon session at 2pm

MATTER 4 – EMPLOYMENT AND RETAIL/TOWN CENTRE STRATEGY AND POLICIES

9. Inspector’s opening
10. Employment land requirement of 208 hectares
 - Why was the flexibility margin of 50% in the Employment Land Review (2020) reduced to 30% in the Employment Land Review Demand Update (2022)?
 - Does the higher economic growth scenario take full account of potential jobs growth and additional land supply from the Hull East and Goole Freeports?

- How does the total jobs growth rate of 1,005 per year compare to recent jobs growth rates achieved in East Riding?
- How does the employment land need of 208 hectares compare to take-up rates over the last 10 years and in recent years?
- Is the employment land requirement of 208 hectares a robust level of provision that will support economic growth over the Plan period?

11. Employment land supply

- Confirmation of updated total supply estimate, taking account of changes identified in the Council's Matter 4 Hearing Statement
- Why is Goole Freeport excluded from the supply figure?
- How much of the estimated supply can feasibly be delivered within the Plan period?
- Does the Plan identify an appropriate amount of employment land to deliver anticipated economic growth?

[the Council is requested to provide a short supply table which summarises progress and timelines for delivering the allocated employment sites and the Freeport sites. This should be placed in the Examination library prior to the Hearing session]

12. How employment requirements and supply are shown in the Plan

- Are modifications needed to clarify employment land needs in Policy S6 and/or the supporting text?
- Should the employment land supply position be clarified in the Plan?

13. Policy EC5 Supporting the renewable and low carbon energy sector

- Do sections A and B of the policy provide a consistent framework for determining onshore wind turbine proposals?
- Implications of recent changes to the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) relating to wind turbine proposals? [see the Written Ministerial Statement dated 5th September 2023 and the revised NPPF 2023]

14. Changes proposed by the Council in relation to retail policies, as set out in document EXAM1C

- Changes SD/22 and SD/23 to supporting text to Policy S7
- Change SD/45 to Policy EC3

15. Any other employment and retail/town centre matters