



Uttlesford Local Plan 2021-2041 Examination

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Examination Hearing Programme

**Uttlesford District Council Offices, London Road, Saffron Walden
CB11 4ER**

10 – 19 June 2025

(reserve days 20 June and 29 - 31 July 2025)

Notes:

The programme should be read alongside the Matters, Issues and Questions document and the Guidance Note which are available on the examination website: [Uttlesford Local Plan Examination](#)

The programme may need to change prior to the hearing, depending on the number of participants who wish to speak. Please check the examination website regularly for any updates.

On the first day, the hearing will open at 10:00am. Subsequent morning sessions will start at 9:30am. Afternoon sessions will start no earlier than 2.00pm.

Hearing Day 1 – Tuesday 10 June 2025

Morning Session (start 10.00am):

Inspectors' Opening Remarks

Opening Statement on behalf Uttlesford District Council

Matter 1: Legal Compliance

Participants:

To be confirmed (TBC)

Afternoon Session (start 2.00pm):

Matter 2: Spatial Portrait, Vision and Objectives, and Spatial Strategy

Issue 1: Spatial Portrait, Vision and Objectives

Issue 2: Spatial Strategy

- Policy 1: Addressing Climate Change

Participants:

TBA

Hearing Day 2 – Wednesday 11 June 2025

Morning Session (start 9.30am):

Matter 2: Spatial Portrait, Vision and Objectives continued...

Issue 2: Spatial Strategy

- Policy 2: Meeting our Housing Needs

Participants:

TBA

Afternoon Session (start 2.00pm):

Matter 2: Spatial Portrait, Vision and Objectives continued...

Issue 2: Spatial Strategy continued...

- Policy 3: Settlement Hierarchy
- Policy 4: Meeting Business and Employment Needs
- Policy 5: Providing Supporting Infrastructure and Services

Participants:

TBA

Hearing Day 3 – Thursday 12 June 2025

Morning Session (start 9.30am):

Matter 3: Area Strategies

Issue 1: North Uttlesford Area Strategy

Participants:

TBA

Afternoon Session (start 2.00pm):

Matter 3: Area Strategies

Issue 2: South Uttlesford Area Strategy

Participants:

TBA

Hearing Day 4 – Friday, 13 June 2025

Morning Session (start 9.30am):

Matter 3: Area Strategies continued...

Issue 3: Stansted Mountfitchet and Elsenham Area Strategy

Issue 4: Thaxted and the Rural Area Strategy

Participants:

TBA

Participants:

TBA

Afternoon Session (start 2.00pm):

Held in reserve and only used if needed to complete matters scheduled for the first week.

Participants:

TBA

Hearing Day 5 – Tuesday 17 June 2025

Morning Session (start 9.30am):

Matter 4: Climate Change, Transport and the Environment

Issue 1: Climate Change

Issue 2: Transport

Participants:

TBA

Afternoon Session (start 2.00pm):

Matter 4: Climate Change, Transport and the Environment continued...

Issue 3: Environment

Participants:

TBA

Hearing Day 6 – Wednesday, 18 June 2025

Morning Session (start 9.30am):

Matter 5: Economy and Retail

Participants:

TBA

Matter 6: Building Healthy and Sustainable Communities

Issue 1: Design. Residential Standards and Dwelling Types

Participants:

TBA

Afternoon Session (start 2.00pm):

Matter 6: Building Healthy and Sustainable Communities continued...

Issue 1: Design, Residential Standards and Dwelling Types continued...

Participants:

TBA

Hearing Day 7 – Thursday, 19 June 2025

Morning Session (start 9.30am):

Matter 6: Building Healthy and Sustainable Communities continued...

Issue 2: Other Environmental Policies

Participants:

TBA

Afternoon Session (start 2.00pm):

Matter 7: Monitoring, Implementation and Appendices

Participants:

TBA

Review and next steps

Participants:

Council

Hearing Day (reserve) – Friday, 20 June 2025

Both sessions held in reserve and will only be used if required to complete matters scheduled for the second week.

Morning Session (start 9.30am):

Reserve

Participants:

TBA

Afternoon Session (start 2.00pm):

Reserve

Participants:

TBA

Hearing Day (reserve) – Tuesday, 29 July 2025

Hearing Day (reserve) – Wednesday, 30 July 2025

Hearing Day (reserve) – Thursday, 31 July 2025

Three days (29-31 July 2025) held in reserve and will only be used if required to complete matters not heard during the scheduled 2 weeks in June.