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Inspector's Agenda for Matter 2, Issues1, 2, 3 & 4

Day 2 – Wednesday 11 December 2024

The questions identified in my Matters, Issues and Questions (MIQs) will be used as the agenda for both morning and afternoon sessions for Matter 2. Participants will need those MIQs to hand to be read alongside this agenda.

However, I set out briefly below a number of relevant discussion points which I would like to understand more about as we work through the questions under each issue.

It is expected that the discussion on Matter 2, Issue 3 will start in the morning and continue into the afternoon session.

Morning Session 0930 till 1300

Inspector's opening comments and any administration arising from Day 1.

- 1. Matter 2, Issue 1 Is the context and Plan period clear and would the strategic policies of the Plan look ahead over a minimum of 15 years from adoption?
- The positive and negative consequences of adjusting the Plan period.
- Vision for strategic sites
- 2. Matter 2, Issue 2 Whether the Spatial Vision and Objectives are justified, effective, consistent with national policy and positively prepared?
- Drawing on the discussion on Day 1, how does the Plan's vision and objectives inform relevant strategic policies so that they are consistent with Paragraph 20 of the NPPF.
- 3. Matter 2, Issue 3 Whether the Spatial Strategy and overarching policies for growth and change are justified, effective, consistent with national policy and positively prepared?
- The distribution of planned development.
- The role and influence of Crawley and the relevant housing market areas.
- Promoting sustainable transport.
- Flexibility, particularly the effect of the relevant policies on windfalls (sites not identified in the Plan) having regard to water neutrality and settlement boundaries.

Afternoon Session 1400 till 1700

Inspector's comments dealing with any administration arising from the morning session.

- 4. Matter 2, Issue 3 continued.
- 5. Matter 2, Issue 4 Whether the strategy and overarching policies for growth and change in Horsham Town and Broadbridge Heath are justified, effective, consistent with national policy and positively prepared?
- The evidence relating to retail and leisure development to justify the threshold for impact assessment.