

HEARING AGENDAS

Venue: The hearing sessions will be held in the Bulbourne Room at the Civic Centre, Hemel Hempstead.

Normal sitting times: Tuesday to Thursday – 10.00 to 13.00 and 14.00 to 17.00

The timetable and list of participants may be subject to change

Hearing participants are respondents who have requested an oral hearing. Any participants who no longer wish to take part should contact the Programme Officer as soon as possible.

For further guidance see the Guidance Note from the Inspector dated August 2012.

The sessions for Issues 7 and 9 as set out in the 'Issues and Questions' document have been cancelled although affordable housing is an item on the agenda for Issue 6.

Week 1

Tuesday 9 October - 10.00

Issue 1: Basis for the Overall Strategy

(Detailed housing figures will be considered under Issue 6)

Participants:

Dacorum Borough Council

Berkhamsted Residents Action Group (Antony Harbidge / Peter Brown / Sarah Lightfoot)

Grand Union Investments (Martin Edwards / Jane Barnett)

W Lamb (David Lander)

The Crown Estate (Clive Harridge)

Linden Homes (Mark Carter)

Agenda

1. Introduction by the Inspector
2. Opening Statement by the Council
3. The duty to Co-operate

4. The overall provision of housing, employment and retail development particularly in relation to regional and national guidance, primarily the National Planning Policy Framework
5. The Council's approach to assessing alternative development options, with particular reference to sustainability
6. The overall robustness of the Council's evidence base
7. Any other matters

Tuesday 9 October - 14.00

Issue 2: The Distribution of Development (settlement hierarchy) and the Green Belt

(Settlement and site specific issues will be considered under the Place Strategies)

Participants:

Dacorum Borough Council
E J Hillier Will Trust (Jo Unsworth)
Emery Planning Partnership (Stephen Harris)
Gleeson Strategic Land (Bob Selwood)
Taylor Wimpey (Martin Friend)
CPRE Hertfordshire (Steve Baker)
CALA Homes (Simon Prescott)
Bovingdon Parish Council (Mike Kember / Jake Collinge)
Berkhamsted Town Council (Alan Kemp)
Berkhamsted Residents Action Group (Antony Harbidge / Peter Brown / Sarah Lightfoot)
Grand Union Investments (Martin Edwards / Jane Barnett)
The Crown Estate (Clive Harridge)
W Lamb (David Lander)
Banner Homes (Les West)
Linden Homes (Mark Carter)

Agenda

1. Introduction by the Inspector
2. The settlement hierarchy and the broad apportionment of development between the settlements

3. The relationship between strategic and local allocations
4. The Council's approach to green belt amendments and development within the green belt
5. Development in rural areas
6. Any other matters

Wednesday 10 October - 10.00

Issue 3: Accessibility

Participants:

***Dacorum Borough Council / Hertfordshire County Council
Berkhamsted Residents Action Group (Antony Harbidge / Peter Brown / Sarah Lightfoot)***

Agenda

1. Introduction by the Inspector
2. The relationship between the location of proposed development and existing transport constraints
3. Accessibility improvements including their sustainability credentials
4. Car parking provision
5. Any other matters

Issue 4: Design and Using Resources Efficiently

Participants:

***Dacorum Borough Council
Berkhamsted Town Council (Alan Kemp)
Aviva (Tim Price)
Dacorum Green Party (Paul Harris)***

Agenda

1. Introduction by the Inspector
2. The Council's overall approach to design, including in relation to climate change and renewable technologies
3. Flood risk and water resources
4. Funding measures
5. Any other matters

Wednesday 10 October - 14.00

Issue 5: Strengthening Economic Prosperity

Participants:

***Dacorum Borough Council
The Crown Estate (Clive Haridge)
Aviva (Tim Price)
Garrick Stevens***

Agenda

1. Introduction by the Inspector
2. The employment evidence base and the Council's evolution of the evidence into an economic strategy for the Borough
3. The infrastructure required to enable economic growth
4. Retail provision including the role of local shopping centres
5. Tourism and the rural economy
6. Any other matters

Thursday 11 October - 10.00

Issue 6: Providing Homes

Participants:

Dacorum Borough Council

E J Hillier Will Trust (Jo Unsworth)

Emery Planning Partnership (Stephen Harris)

Mrs McWilliams (Edward Sibley)

Gleeson Strategic (Bob Selwood)

Taylor Wimpey (Martin Friend)

CPRE Hertfordshire (Jacqueline Veater)

CALA Homes (Simon Prescott)

Berkhamsted Town Council (Alan Kemp)

Berkhamsted Residents Action Group (Antony Harbidge / Peter Brown / Sarah Lightfoot)

Grand Union Investments (Martin Edwards / Simon Elliot / Jane Barnett)

The Crown Estate (Clive Harridge)

W Lamb (David Lander)

Banner Homes (Les West)

Dacorum Green Party (Paul Harris)

Linden Homes (Mark Carter)

Agenda

1. Introduction by the Inspector
2. The housing evidence base, particularly housing need
 - RSS
 - Population/household projections
 - Affordable housing
3. Housing numbers and the five year supply of housing land
4. Housing distribution – including relationship with neighbouring local authorities
5. Phasing and flexibility
6. Any other matters

Thursday 11 October - 14.00

Issue 8: Meeting Community's Needs

Participants:

***Dacorum Borough Council
Tring Sports Forum (Christopher Allen)
CPRE Hertfordshire (Jacqueline Veater)
New Gospel Hall Trust (John Shepherd)
Dacorum Green Party (Paul Harris)***

Agenda

1. Introduction by the Inspector
2. Community facilities – local needs
3. Opportunities for provision and/or improvement
4. Any other matters

Week 2

Tuesday 16 October - 10.00

Issue 10: Place Strategies: Hemel Hempstead

Participants:

***Dacorum Borough Council
Mrs McWilliams (Edward Sibley)
Gleeson Strategic Land (Mark Jackson)
CPRE Hertfordshire (Michael Nidd *Also attending on own behalf)
Jeanette Corfield
Brenda Mariner
The Crown Estate (Clive Harridge)
W Lamb (David Lander)
Aviva (Tim Price)
Jake Leith***

Agenda

1. Introduction by Inspector
2. The role of Hemel Hempstead and the relationship between the Council's approach and local needs, particularly in terms of housing, employment and retail
3. East Hemel Hempstead
4. LA1 – Marchmont Farm
5. LA2 – Old Town
6. LA3 – West Hemel Hempstead
7. Hemel Hempstead town centre (policy CS33)
8. The Gade Zone
9. Maylands Business Park (policy CS34)
10. Potential alternative/additional sites
11. Infrastructure provision
12. Any other matters

Tuesday 16 October - 14.00

Issue 11: Berkhamsted

Participants:

Dacorum Borough Council

Quilichan Consultancy (Roger Tym)

CPRE Hertfordshire (Eliza Hermann)

Berkhamsted Town Council (Alan Kemp)

***Berkhamsted Residents Action Group (Antony Harbidge / Peter Brown / Sarah Lightfoot)
Anne Foster***

Grand Union Investments (Martin Edwards / Jane Barnett)

Taylor Wimpey / Herts CC / Egerton Rothesay School (Jeremy Woolf)

Grahame Partridge

Save Your Berkhamsted Residents Association (Alan O'Neil)

Banner Homes (Les West)

Nick Hanling

Stephen Proudfoot

Garrick Stevens
Northchurch PC (Cllr Alan Fantham)
Lone Star Land Ltd (Andrew Wilkins)

Agenda

1. Introduction by the Inspector
2. The role of Berkhamsted and the relationship between the Council's approach and local needs, particularly in terms of housing, employment and retail
3. SS1 – land at Durrants Lane / Shootersway (Egerton Rothesay School)
4. LA4 – Hanburys, Shootersway
5. Potential alternative/additional sites
6. Infrastructure provision
7. The setting of the town
8. Any other matters

Wednesday 17 October - 10.00

Issue 12: Tring

Participants:

Dacorum Borough Council
Emery Planning Partnership (Stephen Harris)
Tring Sports Forum (Christopher Allen)
CPRE Hertfordshire (Elizabeth Hamilton)
CALA Homes (Simon Prescott)

Agenda

1. Introduction by the Inspector
2. The role of Tring and the relationship between the Council's approach and local needs, particularly in terms of housing, employment and retail
3. LA5 – Icknield Way, west of Tring

4. Potential alternative/additional sites
5. Infrastructure provision – including for recreation and leisure
6. The setting of the town
7. Any other matters

Wednesday 17 October - 14.00

Issue 13: Kings Langley

Participants:

***Dacorum Borough Council
Alan Barker (David Lane)***

Agenda

1. Introduction by the Inspector
2. The role of Kings Langley and the relationship between the Council's approach and local needs, particularly in terms of housing and employment
3. Potential development sites
4. Infrastructure provision – including schools
5. Any other matters

Issue 14: Bovington

Participants:

***Dacorum Borough Council
E J Hillier Will Trust (Jo Unsworth)
Bovington Parish Council (Jake Collinge)
Maggie Campbell (Kevin Coleman)***

Agenda

1. Introduction by the Inspector
2. The role of Bovingdon and the relationship between the Council's approach and local needs, particularly in terms of housing and employment
3. LA6 – Chesham Road / Molyneaux Avenue
4. Potential alternative/additional sites
5. Any other matters

Issue 15: Markyate

Participants:

***Dacorum Borough Council
ZBV (Kate Fleming)***

Agenda

1. Introduction by the Inspector
2. The role of Markyate and the relationship between the Council's approach and local needs, particularly in terms of housing and employment
3. SS2 - Hicks Road
4. Any other matters

Thursday 18 October - 10.00

Issue 16: Countryside

Participants:

***Dacorum Borough Council
Mr and Mrs Glasser
Plato Estate Ltd (Phillip Plato)
Berkhamsted Residents Action Group (Antony Harbidge / Peter Brown / Sarah Lightfoot)***

Agenda

1. Introduction by the Inspector
2. The vision and local objectives for the countryside
3. Potential development sites in the countryside e.g. at Wilstone
4. The AONB
5. The Grand Union Canal
6. Rural buildings
7. Any other matters

Issue 17: Implementation, Delivery, Infrastructure and Monitoring

Participants:

***Dacorum Borough Council
Garrick Stevens***

Agenda

1. Introduction by the Inspector
2. The provision of the infrastructure that is required to support both existing and future development
3. Organisational mechanisms to ensure joint working with other agencies (including adjoining local planning authorities)
4. The monitoring framework, local targets and flexibility
5. Risks to delivery, fall-back position and triggers for a review of the document
6. Any other matters

Closing statement by the Council

Inspector's Concluding Comments