

17 March 2017

Dear Representor,

Derbyshire Dales Local Plan Examination Hearings

You have previously confirmed that you wish to participate in the hearing sessions which form part of the examination into the Derbyshire Dales Local Plan. You should note that the hearings are now planned to take part over 7 days. The hearings will take place on 9 to 11 May 2017 (Stage 1) and 16-19 and 23 May 2017 (Stage 2).

Hearing Participants

Participants have been allocated to hearings based on the substance of representations on the soundness of the Plan. The Matters, issues and questions/hearing programmes are attached. You may have made representations which span across a number of matters and as a result you may have been shown as a participant for several sessions. However, it is appreciated that the main points that you have raised may relate to a specific matter (or matters) and that you may be content to rely on your written representations on some other matters. **With this in mind please could you let me know if you do not propose to attend any of the hearing sessions to which you have been assigned. Please can you also check that you have not been excluded from any sessions which relate to representations that you have made and that you wish to attend.** If you could let me know if either is the case by 12 April that will allow the Inspector to finalise and circulate agendas in plenty of time before the hearing sessions commence.

Hearing Statements

There is no need for you to produce further written material but if you consider that you want to respond to the Matters, Issues and Questions which are of relevance to your original representation you are entitled to submit hearing statements. If you intend to submit statement(s) please make sure you follow the advice set out in the ***Examination Guidance Note from the Inspector*** previously circulated and available on the Examination website. In particular statements should be a maximum of 3000 words long for each matter and for the **Stage 1 hearings should be submitted by 17.00 hours on Wednesday 12 April 2017. For Stage 2 hearings statements should be submitted by 17.00 hours on Friday 21 April 2017.**

It would be particularly helpful if statements address what specific changes, including the suggested wording, are required to make the Plan sound, unless your original representations did so.

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In preparing your statements you might find it particularly useful to look at the Examination Documents on the website which include correspondence between the Inspector and the Council. In addition the Council will be producing Schedules of *Main Modifications* and *Additional Modifications* in advance of the hearings which will include modifications which have arisen from the Inspector's preliminary questions as well as those included in the Schedule of Modifications (SD03). As with all other examination material these will be published on the website. The Schedules will be updated during the examination.

Please let me know if you require clarification on the above or any other aspects of the Examination.

Yours sincerely,
Carmel Edwards

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