

Bath and North East Somerset Placemaking Plan

Agenda

Tuesday 13 September 2016

10:00

Inspector's Opening Statement

Council's Opening Statement

Matter 1 – Procedural Requirements

Issue: Whether the BANES Plan meets the legal process and requirements.

In particular:

- a) Has the Plan been prepared in accordance with the Local Development Scheme?
- b) Has the Plan been prepared in compliance with the Statement of Community Involvement?
- c) Has the Plan had regard to the Sustainable Community Strategy?
- d) Has the Plan been subject to adequate Sustainability Appraisal?
- e) Has the Plan been prepared in accordance with the Habitat Directive?
- f) Have all the procedural requirements for publicity been met (both in relation to the Placemaking Plan (Part 2) and alterations to the CS (Part 1)?)
- g) Has the Council submitted robust evidence to demonstrate that it has met the duty to cooperate?

Lunch

14:00

Matter 2 – Overall Approach

Issue 1: Whether the changes to the Core Strategy (CS) are necessary and appropriate having regard to policies contained in the Placemaking Plan and its purpose.

Q1 – Is the nature and scale of any of the proposed changes to the CS such that they materially change the strategic approach and strategy established in the CS?

- Policy RA1 and RA2
- Policy B2 4(d) - Hotel bedrooms
- Overall Strategy for Bath
- Rural Economy

Issue 2: Whether the overall requirements of the adopted CS would be achieved through the Placemaking Plan.

Q1. Would the Placemaking Plan meet the overall housing requirement of about 13,000 dwellings?

Q2. Is the strategy for determining Housing Development Boundaries positively prepared, justified and consistent with national policy?

Q3. Would the Placemaking Plan secure the delivery of sufficient land to accommodate 10,300 new jobs?

Q4. How have opportunities for prioritising new development on brownfield land been secured and considered in allocating sites?