Dear

Further to my letter dated 1st November 2013, I am writing to update you on the progress of the Examination. A Pre-Hearing Meeting was held on 27th November 2013 to explain the Examination procedure. Notes of this meeting, together with the Inspector’s Draft List of Hearing Sessions and Initial List of Main Matters can be found in the “Latest News Section” on the Examination page of the Council website:

http://www.allerdale.gov.uk/localplanexamination

If you require paper copies of these documents please let me know and I will arrange this.

The Hearings sessions will take place between Tuesday 28th January 2014 and Friday 7th February 2014 at Allerdale House, Workington, Cumbria, CA14 3YJ. Each of the hearings will have a particular focus which is set out in the “Draft List of Hearing Sessions”. Representors are welcome to attend any of the sessions in which they have an interest.

To help me to make practical arrangements, please complete the Attendance Request Form below to let me know which sessions you will be participating in /observing and any additional requirements you may have in order for you to have full access to the proceedings. Please return this to me at the address below, or via email, by the 20th December 2013.

If you are attending a session and wish to submit a written statement to be presented at the Hearing, any such statement should be sent to the Programme Officer by 5 pm on the 7th January 2014. The statement needs to clearly identify the Hearing session at which it is intended to be considered. However, please note that there is no requirement to submit a written statement in advance of your appearance at a Hearing Session.

If you are not intending to be present at the Hearings but wish the Inspector to consider a further written representation at a specific Hearing session, then this should be submitted to the Programme Officer by 5 pm on the 21st January 2013. The statement needs to clearly identify the Hearing session at which it is intended to be considered.

Further information regarding the submission of statements and responses can be found in the Pre-Hearing Meeting Notes. 3 copies of all statements are to be sent to me, together with an electronic version if possible and all submissions will be published on the website. Please note
that representations made in writing carry the same weight as those pursued by a personal appearance at any of the Hearing Sessions.

It will be for you to keep in touch with me and you are also advised to visit the Examination website pages regularly during the course of the Examination so that you are aware of the latest information available. In particular it is important to check for any updates to the schedule for Hearings which may be necessary.

Yours sincerely

Programme Officer
Attendance Request Form to be returned to the Programme Officer by registered representors only

Name:

Organisation/On behalf of:

Rep ID:

In order to assist in the organisation of the number of participants at Hearing Sessions, please complete the following attendance request form to secure your place in the discussions. If you have any specific needs please indicate these in the Additional information section below so that we can ensure your needs are met.

Tuesday 28 January (½ day)
Opening Session: Duty to Co-operate and other legal requirements.
This session is intended to establish whether the Council has met the legal duty to co-operate set by the Localism Act 2011, and other legal requirements.
Main Matter:
1. The Duty to Co-operate.

*Participate/Observe/Not attend

Tuesday 28 January (½ day)
Session 2: Cross-Boundary Issues.
Main Matters:
1. The Duty to Co-operate.
2. The extent of the Plan period.
3. The scale of the Housing Requirement.
4. Cross-boundary issues in housing provision.
10. Water supply and the effect of development upon water quality.
13. Energy provision: its role at national and local levels.

*Participate/Observe/Not attend

Wednesday 29 January (½ day) No afternoon session
Session 3: Settlement Hierarchy.
Main Matters:
11. The Settlement Hierarchy: criteria for designation; transport sustainability.
12. The role of the Ports.

*Participate/Observe/Not attend

Thursday 30 January (1 day)
Session 4: The Provision of Housing.
Main Matters:
2. The extent of the Plan period.
3. The scale of the Housing Requirement.
4. Cross-boundary issues in housing provision.
5. The delegation of location decisions to subsequent document(s).
6. Viability of housing provision in low-market areas.
9. Developer contributions.
10. Water supply and the effect of development upon water quality.
11. The Settlement Hierarchy: criteria for designation; transport sustainability.
15. The emphasis upon Previously-Developed Land

*Participate/Observe/Not attend*

Friday 31 January (½ day)
Session 5: Affordable Housing; Gypsies and Travellers.
Main Matters:
7. The provision of Affordable Housing.
8. The provision of housing for Gypsies and Travellers.
9. Developer contributions.

*Participate/Observe/Not attend*

Tuesday 4 February (½ day)
Session 6: Landscape and Locational Factors.
Main Matters:
10. Water supply and the effect of development upon water quality.
13. Energy provision: its role at national and local levels.
16. The treatment of Landscape Character and AONB.
17. The treatment of the World Heritage Site and the historic environment.
18. The treatment of the Natura 2000 site, and need for Appropriate Assessment.

*Participate/Observe/Not attend*

Wednesday 5 February (1 day)
Session 7: Development for Energy Provision.
Main Matters:
13. Energy provision: its role at national and local levels.
16. The treatment of Landscape Character and AONB.
19. The regard to be paid to Waste and Minerals in the Local Plan.

*Participate/Observe/Not attend*

Thursday 6 February (½ day)
Session 8: Nature Conservation; Built Heritage.
Main Matters:
10. Water supply and the effect of development upon water quality.
13. Energy provision: its role at national and local levels.
17. The treatment of the World Heritage Site and the historic environment.
18. The treatment of the Natura 2000 site, and need for Appropriate Assessment.

*Participate/Observe/Not attend*

Thursday 6 February (½ day)
Main Matters:
11. The Settlement Hierarchy: criteria for designation; transport sustainability.
12. The role of the Ports.
13. Energy provision: its role at national and local levels.
15. The emphasis upon Previously-Developed Land.

*Participate/Observe/Not attend

Friday 7 February (½ day)
Session 10: Monitoring & Implementation.

*Participate/Observe/Not attend
Friday 7 February (½ day)
Session 11: Any Other Business; Close.

*Participate/Observe/Not attend

Additional information

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