

ROSSENDALE LOCAL PLAN HEARINGS

AGENDA – DAY 2

Wednesday 25th September 2019 at 9.00am

**Rossendale Borough Council, The Business Centre, Futures Park, Bacup
OL13 0BB**

MATTER 5 – EMPLOYMENT NEED AND SUPPLY
MATTER 3 – HOUSING NEED AND REQUIREMENT

Please note:

- All participants are encouraged to familiarise themselves with the hearing statements produced by the Council and other parties in respect of the issues addressed at this session. These are available on the Examination website.
- References to questions in brackets are those posed by the Inspectors in the Matters Issues and Questions (MIQs) document. This has already been circulated and can be viewed on the Examination website.
- Please see the Hearings Programme for a list of the participants at each session.

Programme Note - There is an element of overlap between Matters 5 and 3 (particularly agenda items 2 and 7). Participants are requested to review which session they have requested to appear at and inform the Programme Officer of any changes.

Please note the earlier start time of 9am.

Inspector – Katie Child

1. Inspector's opening remarks

MATTER 5 – EMPLOYMENT NEED AND SUPPLY

Does the Plan set out a positively prepared strategy for the delivery of employment development and jobs, which is justified, effective and consistent with national policy?

2. Employment land requirement in Policy EMP1 [5b-d]
 - New evidence relating to jobs growth and employment land requirements
 - Justification for employment requirement of 27ha
3. Employment land supply predicted over the Plan period – gross hectares from employment allocations, mixed use allocations, spare capacity on existing employment sites, and extant planning permissions [5e-5i]
4. Retention of existing employment sites (Policy EMP3) – expression of criterion c [5j]

5. Employment generating development (Policy EMP4) [5k]
 - Overall purpose of the policy and the Council's strategy for employment generating development
 - How the policy sits alongside Policy SD2 and Policy R1

MATTER 3 – HOUSING NEED AND REQUIREMENT

Is the identified housing requirement of 3,180 dwellings between 2019 and 2034 (212 per year) justified and consistent with national policy?

6. Local housing need method – Council's current position on baseline figures and approach [3b]
7. Housing need/requirement in the Plan – justification for housing requirement of 212 dwellings per annum with particular reference to employment growth forecasts, evidence in the SHMA 2019, and growth strategies/strategic infrastructure improvements [3c]
8. Edenfield housing requirement [3d]
 - Sources of supply
 - Requirement for the Forum or the designated neighbourhood area?
 - Representation on the Policies Map