

Bearing Fruits 2031: Swale Borough Local Plan Proposed Main Modifications: Examination in Public 2016-17 – Public Updating Note: 28 November 2016

This news sheet advises of new material and events which are being added to the Local Plan website as we now move towards reconvening the Local Plan Examination in Public (EIP). Further notes will be issued as necessary to report new material. Please keep checking back here for further updates.

There is already a large amount of information in the Examination document library comprising evidence and written statements on behalf of the Council and other participants at <http://www.swale.gov.uk/examination-document-library/>

Should you wish to explore the documents already available, each document has a unique number and prefix as follows:

- ID/ xx – is any document issued by the Inspector
- CD/ xx – Core Documents which were originally submitted for Examination with the Local Plan in April 2015
- SBC/PS/xx – Evidence and written statements produced by the Council post submission.
- SBC/EX/xx – Documents produced by the Council during the EIP Hearings in 2015.
- Respondents' post submission written statements are pre-fixed with the individual/ organisation's number in our database and name and are organised in the EIP agenda order for the 2015 Hearings.

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Additions to EIP Document Library		
Resumed Examination Hearings – Inspector's Note ID/10 Resumed Hearings Note (4 November 2016)	Updates and supplements ID/2	Sets out key dates, the Inspector's role and scope of the resumed hearings 'Housekeeping' notes for the day to day running of the Hearings and submissions are in the earlier guidance notes at ID/2.

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See also ID/2 Inspector's Guidance Notes (6 May 2015)		
<p>Programme Officer's letter of 4 November 2016</p> <p>Resumed Hearings letter (November 2016)</p>	<p>Sent out to all those who submitted representations during the Main Modifications Consultation asking whether they would wish to participate in the hearings.</p> <p>Also includes a general programme of topics for each of the hearing days.</p>	<p>The agenda for each of the hearing days will be refined by the Inspector (aided by the Programme Officer) when she has identified a more detailed series of Matters, Issues and Questions she feels need to be covered under each of the general topic headings. People can choose to rely on what they have already submitted in the consultation on Main Modifications, or submit further written statements (see ID/10 above).</p>
<p>Programme Officer's letter of 25 November</p> <p>ID/11 Inspector's Matters, Issues and Questions</p> <p>Resumed Hearing Programme v1</p>	<p>Follow up letter from the Programme Officer with detailed instructions for further written statements.</p> <p>Detailed agenda for the Hearings.</p>	<p>The Inspector has now issued the detailed questions she wishes to cover in the resumed EIP Hearings.</p> <p>The Programme Officer's letter is a final reminder to anyone who wishes to speak at the Hearings; and has detailed instructions for anyone wishing to submit further written statements to the EIP. These should focus on the Matters Issues and Questions she has set out.</p>
National 2014 Based Household Projections and Objectively Assessed Need	This technical note deals with the ONS 2014 Based National Household Projections and the implications for Swale.	National Planning Policy and technical guidance requires this to be the starting point for assessing the 'Objectively

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SBC/PS/116 October 2016 OAN Advice Note		Assessed Housing Need'. For Swale, this note demonstrates that the new 2014 based projections result in little impact on the OAN and therefore the housing target (776 dwellings per annum).
Five Year Housing land Supply and Trajectory SBC /PS/113	Five Year Housing Land Supply and trajectory based on 2015-16 monitoring position and the Main Modifications.	This demonstrates that the Council has allocated sufficient land to required housing target for the plan period, but can also demonstrate a deliverable five year supply plus 5% buffer as required by national planning policy. A 5.4 year supply can be demonstrated.
Summary of Representations Received on Main Modification and Draft Council Responses. SBC/PS/117a to 117s http://www.swale.gov.uk/examination-document-library/ <i>NB: The files at SBC/PS/117 are very large and have been split into the chapter and appendices order of the plan for ease of downloading and opening.</i>	Representations and responses schedule Available on the Examination Library website from 29 November as schedules following the sequence of the local plan. Will also be turned live on the Objective Online Portal.	These are the Council's draft responses to the representations on the Main Modifications consultations received in the summer and will form the basis for discussion at the reconvened Hearings. Please note that for the new housing allocations we have collated all the residents' comments on separate linked CSR schedules (combined summary and response schedules) for each site. This should make understanding of the comments easier, as there was so much overlap in comments received. There is also short review of the reason the site was selected for allocation at the top of each CSR table, before the detailed responses to the comments made.

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		The Inspector has also received copies of the original verbatim representations sent in by the public.
Local Development Scheme CD/010a Local Development Scheme (October 2016 Update)	The programme for production of local planning documents.	A statutorily required document – updated. (as per Inspector’s recommendation in Interim Findings). Agreed at Cabinet of 5 October 2016.
Second Landscape and Visual Review – land south of Swanstree Avenue’ (March 2016) SBC/PS/090a	Landscape appraisal for Swanstree Avenue site	The site is still being pursued by developers as an ‘omission site’ through the Local Plan process, so this piece of research was undertaken on behalf of the Council to help assess the most recent planning application has been added to the Local Plan Examination Library for information.
Updated version of Statement of Consultation (Nov 2016) Statement of consultation (November 2016)- CD/009	Account of consultation carried out during the Local Plan process.	A statutorily required document, showing what consultation has been carried out during preparation of the Local Plan and how it was used. This updates the document to November 2016 to take account of the Main Modifications work.
Included in the Local Plan Research Progress		
Viability Update	Updates the viability statement which is part of the evidence base of the plan.	Publication date anticipated for new research is early December 2016.
Transport (A249 Corridor)		A Statement of Common Ground between the 3 authorities supported by technical

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		evidence is expected by 6 January.
Site Specific Research		Site specific research (eg landscape analysis) to enable the Council to respond to submissions from developers and the public at the EIP.
Other Notes / events		
None at present		