

## Agenda

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2026 9.30 AM

### **Matter 14 – Sustainable Travel, Infrastructure and Delivery, and Monitoring**

**(Policies ST1-ST3 and ID1-ID3)**

**Issue 11 – Does the Plan set out a positively prepared strategy and policies for sustainable travel, infrastructure, delivery and monitoring which is justified, effective and consistent with national policy?**

- 14.1 Do policies ST1-ST3 provide clear direction as to how a decision maker should react to a development proposal? Would these policies be effective? In particular:
- a) In relation to policy ST2 are the requirements in relation to bus access into sites necessary and justified?
  - b) In relation to criteria 5b) is the requirement to mitigate *any* detrimental impact reasonable? How should cumulative impacts be taken into account?
  - c) Are there any omissions in the policies and are they sufficiently flexible? Do the Councils propose any modifications to these policies and the supporting text and if so, are they necessary for soundness?
- 14.2 Does the Transport Assessment of the Plan (Docs IT06 and IT07) provide a robust and comprehensive assessment of the transport impacts of the development proposed in the Plan?
- a) In light of the contents of the Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) with National Highways and LCC Highways, does the Plan provide sufficient information in relation to the nature and extent of any necessary highways mitigation ?
  - b) How far have these requirements been taken into account in relation to assumptions on timescales for site delivery?
  - c) Have these requirements been adequately considered in assumptions on viability?
  - d) Have the air quality implications of transport movements that would be associated with planned developments been adequately taken into account? And are any such implications adequately reflected in the Habitats Regulation Assessment ?

- 14.3 Do Policies ID1-ID3 provide an effective framework to ensure the delivery of the necessary infrastructure?
- a) Are the policies' requirements supported by up-to-date evidence?  
Does the evidence base provide a sound methodology for identifying infrastructure needs, including those arising from cumulative impacts? How has existing infrastructure provision been assessed as a baseline and how were future needs identified?
  - b) Does the Plan and its evidence base adequately identify the infrastructure needs arising from the development set out in the Plan ? Does it provide effective mechanisms for meeting those infrastructure needs ?
  - b) Have the implications of policies ID1 and ID2 in relation to viability been appropriately tested? Are the assumptions in the Local Plan Viability Report (Doc IT05) reasonable and up to date and do they adequately reflect the scale and cost of infrastructure requirements for development in the Borough as set out in the revised Infrastructure Delivery Plan? How have existing commitments been accounted for?
  - c) Are the policies sufficiently flexible? Do they take appropriate account of development in cases where viability is below that which would be policy compliant?
  - d) How will the requirements of the policies be kept up to date?
  - e) Are there any omissions from the proposed policies and supporting text?
- 14.4 In relation to Appendix 2 is the plan sufficiently clear as to how its implementation will be monitored?