

Hearing Session 6

Green Belt

26th July 2018 at 9:30 am

AGENDA

1. Introduction

2. Procedural Matters

Matter 6: Do the exceptional circumstances exist to justify the proposed revision of the Green Belt boundaries and can the need for housing and employment development be accommodated without releasing land from the Green Belt?

6.1. Are the Green Belt Assessments (GB1 and GB2) soundly based, justified and consistent with national policy?

a) Can the need for housing and employment development be accommodated on deliverable sites within settlement without releasing land from the Green Belt?

b) Has the capacity of areas within settlement to accommodate growth been robustly assessed and what were the conclusions?

c) How were the removal sites identified and assessed?

d) Was an assessment undertaken of the contribution of each of the removal sites to the Green Belt purposes and what were the conclusions?

6.2. Is the approach to amending Green Belt boundaries to release sites for development soundly based and is it consistent with the conclusions of the review in respect of their contribution to Green Belt purposes?

6.3. Do the exceptional circumstances exist to justify the proposed revision of the Green Belt boundaries?

6.4. What are the exceptional circumstances, as required by the NPPF paragraphs 79 – 86, that justify the Plan's proposed revision of the boundaries of the Green Belt?

6.5. Do Policies DM43 (Replacement or extensions of dwellings in the Green Belt), DM42 (Internal space standards) and DM45 (Conversion of existing buildings in the Green Belt and other rural areas) provide an appropriate mechanism for the managing the replacement, extension and conversion of buildings in the Green Belt?

Any other matters.