

**Examination of Dartford Borough Council Local Plan
Agenda for Virtual Hearing Session**

Examination Hearings

Matter 1 – Procedural and legal requirements including the Duty to Co-operate

AGENDA

Hearing Day 1: Thursday 09 June 2022 (Week 1)

Virtual Hearing – Conducted via Zoom

Issue 1 - Whether the Council has complied with the Duty to Co-operate in the preparation of the Dartford Local Plan.

Session – 10:00 – 17:00

- 1) Introduction and Inspector's Opening Announcements
- 2) Opening statement on behalf of Dartford Borough Council
- 3) The Duty to Co-operate
 - a. Requests from other authorities to accommodate unmet housing need
 - b. Proposed contribution to unmet housing need in wider area
 - c. Outcomes of engagement and whether this was constructive, active and ongoing during plan preparation
 - d. Attempts to reach agreement
 - e. Cooperation in respect of Bluewater
 - f. Any other strategic matters
- 4) Close

Participants:

Dartford Borough Council
Barton Willmore now Stantec for Storefield Group
DPV Consult for PMG Regeneration
Gravesham Borough Council
Home Builders Federation
Savills for Countryside Properties
Turley for Taylor Wimpey

Inspector:

Mr Philip Mileham (Hons) MRTPI

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Hearing Day 2: Friday 10 June 2022 (Week 1)

Virtual Hearing – Conducted via Zoom

Issue 2 – Whether the Council has complied with relevant procedural, legal and other requirements.

Morning Session – 10:00 – 13:00

- 1) Plan preparation
 - a. Whether the plan has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) and Local Development Scheme (LDS)
- 2) Habitats Regulations Assessment
- 3) Sustainability Appraisal
 - a. How the SA has informed plan preparation
 - b. Reasonable alternatives
 - c. Option testing in respect of unmet housing need
- 4) Climate change
- 5) Equality and diversity
- 6) Other matters
- 7) Close

Afternoon Session – 14.00 – 17:00

Afternoon session to be held in reserve if required.

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