

Portishead Neighbourhood Development Plan Examination

Request for further information and questions from the Examiner to North Somerset Council and Portishead Town Council

I have carried out a preliminary review of the Neighbourhood Development Plan and the evidence submitted in support of it and there are a few points where I need some clarification or further information. I would therefore be grateful if both Councils could assist me, as appropriate, in answering the following questions.

Basic Conditions Statement

1. Section C3 of the Basic Conditions Statement sets out an assessment of the NDP policies against local strategic policy and the components of the adopted local development plan are listed in paragraph C3.1. Tables 2A-2D are entitled "NDP Policies general conformity with the North Somerset Local Plan". Can the Town Council confirm whether this assessment is against the adopted development plan, as listed in paragraph C3.1, or the policies in the emerging North Somerset Local Plan?
2. Could North Somerset Council confirm the current timetable for the North Somerset Local Plan, including the next stage of public consultation and likely examination and adoption timetable?
3. There appear to be two sets of tables 2B,2C and 2D. Should the first set on pages 9 to 15 be labelled 1B,1C and 1D?

Valued Employment Space

Policy PPE1 provides guidance on protecting valued employment space and these are shown on Figure 13 as four blurred red dots. This does not provide sufficient detail and so I would be grateful if the Steering Group could provide site location plans and names for each of the proposed sites.

Thank you for your assistance with these questions. Once I have received your responses, I may need to ask for further clarification or further queries may arise as the examination progresses.

Please note that these questions and requests for information is a public document and the answers and any associated documents will also be in the public domain. Both my questions and the responses should be placed on the Councils' websites as appropriate.

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