## Independent Examination of the Chetwynd: The Toton and Chilwell Neighbourhood Plan

## Examiner: Jill Kingaby BSc (Econ) MSc MRTPI

## Public Hearing Thursday 10 November 2022

Commencing 10.00am at the New Council Chamber, Broxtowe Borough Council,Council Offices, Foster Avenue, Beeston NG9 1AB

I would like to set out in advance the parameters for the conduct of the hearing session I have convened, to be held on Thursday 10 November 2022. It is important we all go into the session with a shared expectation and understanding of how the day will proceed. The key points I would ask participants to observe are as follows:

- It is wholly within my purview to determine how the hearing is to be conducted.
- In this instance, the purpose of hearing oral representations is that I consider it necessary to ensure adequate examination of the identified issues, which will in turn further my understanding in the context of assessing the Basic Conditions.
- This session will be run as a round table discussion. It will not be akin to a formal public inquiry on a planning appeal.Similarly, it is not a local plan examination session: the requirements of the Basic Conditions are not to be confused with the more investigative scrutiny required to determine whether a local plan is 'sound'.
- I have set out in my Document 1 Agenda the issues I wish to discuss. I will lead on the questions raised under each issue and invite the parties around the table to engage in a debate as to the Plan's coverage of the relevant topics. If the debate leads me to the view that the Plan should be modified to reflect points raised, I will then request the parties' views as to how precisely those modifications should be made.
- I do not anticipate that further written evidence will be required to deal with the issues I have identified from my assessment of the Plan submitted for examination, its supporting documents and the representations that were made at the Regulation 16 consultation stage. However, if those participating at the hearing session wish to submit short written statements in advance (no more than 1,500 words), these may be submitted to Broxtowe Borough Council by <u>3 November 2022</u>. The statements should not repeat information already submitted, and should be focussed on modifications which the parties wish to see made to the submitted Chetwynd: The Toton and Chilwell Neighbourhood Plan. It would be

*most helpful if specific wording for proposed modifications to the Plan's policies and text were set out.* Any statement(s) the Council receives should be placed on the Borough Council and the Toton and Chilwell Neighbourhood Forum websites and a copy should be sent direct to <u>enquiries@intelligentplans.co.uk</u>

- Participants are not exercising a statutory right to be heard. I will determine the amount of time that is given for a participant to speak. All participants, including any advocates in attendance, will be treated on an equal basis.
- My aim is to have sufficient understanding and information on the identified issues to enable me to come to a view on the Basic Conditions and draft my report.

I thank you for your anticipated co-operation on the day.

Jill Kingaby Examiner

17 October 2022