

# **ROCHFORD ALLOCATIONS SUBMISSIONS DOCUMENT**

## **HEARING EXAMINATION**

**10.00 AM TUESDAY 3 SEPTEMBER 2013**

### **MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION**

#### **Issue 1**

Is the overall strategy for the allocation of housing, traveller and employment sites sound having regard to the needs and demands of the District identified in the Core Strategy; the relationship with national policy and Government objectives and the evidence base and preparatory processes?

- i) Have the consultation procedures undertaken been adequate and in compliance with the Statement of Community Involvement and the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012?
- ii) Are the policies in an appropriate form or are they unduly prescriptive?
- iii) Would a 5 year housing land supply be achieved having regard to paragraph 47 of the National Planning Policy Framework?
- iv) Do the proposed allocations allow for sufficient flexibility?
- v) Is the 5% 'cap' on additional housing justified and would removing it discourage brownfield and windfall sites from coming forward?
- vi) Have there been any material changes in circumstances since the adoption of the Core Strategy?
- vii) Has the overall impact on highway capacity across the District been adequately addressed?
- viii) In the light of the recent flooding across the District are there any implications for any of the allocated sites?