SHROPSHIRE LOCAL PLAN STAGE 1 EXAMINATION HEARINGS

AGENDA – DAY 6

Thursday 14 July 2022 at 9.30am

Venue: Sovereign Suite, Shrewsbury Town Football Club, Oteley Road, Shrewsbury, SY2 6ST

MATTER 7 – Strategic Settlements (Policies S19-21)

Please note:

- All participants are encouraged to familiarise themselves with the hearing statements (and any additional evidence) produced by the Council and other parties in respect of the matters addressed at this session. These are available on the examination website.
- Most references to questions refer to those posed by the Inspectors in their Schedule of Matters, Issues and Questions (ID7).
- The Inspectors will make a short opening to the session covering any relevant house-keeping, procedural or programming matters.
- There will be a mid-morning break. This hearing session may run on beyond the lunchtime break scheduled for 12.30pm.

Issue

Whether the Plan has been positively prepared and whether it is justified, effective and consistent with national policy in relation to the overall approach to strategic settlements.

Opening

Matter 7 discussion points

Policy S19 – Strategic Settlement: Clive Barracks, Tern Hill

1. Whether the policy justified, effective and consistent with national planning policy, including:

- a) whether a plan identifying specific areas within the site allocation for employment use and the local centre etc is necessary.
- b) whether the policy should be more prescriptive about the types of employment uses to be permitted.
- 2. Whether the necessary infrastructure requirements to support the site allocation have been adequately identified and costed.
- 3. Whether there is evidence that the infrastructure requirements will be delivered within the required timescales.
- 4. Whether the housing trajectory for the site is realistic and deliverable.
- 5. Whether Policy S19 should be included in the strategic policies section of the plan.

Policy S20 – Strategic Settlement: Former Ironbridge Power Station

- 1. Whether the policy justified, effective and consistent with national planning policy, including:
 - a) the up-to-date position in respect to the site's planning history
 - b) the necessity of a plan identifying specific areas within the site allocation for employment use and the local centre etc is necessary
 - c) whether the policy should be more prescriptive about the types of employment uses.
- 2. Whether appropriate landscape, flood-risk, transport, noise, air quality, natural heritage and heritage assessments have been carried out to inform the development of the site.
- 3. Whether the necessary infrastructure requirements to support the site allocation have been adequately identified and costed.
- 4. Whether there is evidence that the necessary infrastructure requirements will be delivered within the required timescales.
- 5. Whether Appendix F of document GC4j (5-year housing land supply statement annexes) shows a realistic delivery rate for the site, including implications of any mineral extraction.
- 6. Whether Policy S20 should be included in the strategic policies section of the plan.

Policy S21 - Strategic Site: RAF Cosford

- 1. Whether the policy justified effective and consistent with national planning policy.
- 2. Whether there have been material changes in circumstances since the earlier proposals to remove this site from the Green Belt. Whether there are now exceptional circumstances to justify the removal of the site from the Green Belt.
- 3. Whether the necessary infrastructure requirements to support the site allocation have been adequately identified and costed.
- 4. Whether there is evidence that the necessary infrastructure requirements will be delivered within the required timescales.
- 5. Whether Policy S21 should be included in the strategic policies section of the plan.