Merton Core Planning Strategy Draft Hearings Programme

Session 1 Wednesday 9 February
Introductions
Inspector’s opening remarks

Confirmation of Legal Compliance

Setting the scene - overview of Merton in the wider policy context; challenges and opportunities; the spatial vision; translating the high level vision into a detailed strategy within the timescale of the Core Strategy

Policies 8-10: Housing
Delivering housing provision over the next 15 years and the distribution of new housing within the borough
Housing mix and choice, including affordable housing
Gypsy and traveller accommodation

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Policy 7: Town centres and the retail hierarchy
Policy 12: Economic development, including town centre-type uses, strategic industrial locations and locally significant industrial sites
Policy 13: Open space, nature conservation, leisure and culture
Policies 18-20: Transport, including improved connectivity/transport choice and reducing dependence on the private car

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Policy 14: Design
Policy 15: Climate change
Policy 16: Flood risk management
Policy 17: Waste management, including the South London Waste Plan

Policies 11-16: The sub-areas

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Policy 11: Infrastructure needs assessment and delivery planning
Section 27: Delivery and implementation, including the impact of the economic downturn and future change
Section 28: Monitoring

Minor changes published post-submission; any changes put forward during the hearings; statements of common ground