

EX17

## **EXAMINATION HEARINGS**

### **AGENDA**

**WEDNESDAY 13 NOVEMBER 2013 at 10.00 am**

#### **Matter 5 GREEN BELT**

***Issue: Whether the selection of broad locations for development in the Green Belt is justified by the evidence and whether the mechanisms for release are clear and effective.***

#### **INDIVIDUAL GREEN BELT LOCATIONS (continued)**

##### **5.22 KGBS14 South of Whiston.**

Is the selection of this site based on robust evidence of all the environmental and other impacts, including flood risk?

What is the quality of agricultural land that would be lost?

Should separate consideration be given to smaller development parcels?

Should the release of this large site be phased and, if so, how?

##### **5.24 KGBS17 Cronton Colliery.**

Is any part of this land a potential minerals resource and, if so, would this be sterilised if the site was developed?

Have the flood risk implications of this development been properly taken into account?

Is employment development compatible with the intended use of part of the land as a country park?

It is claimed that there would be benefits from developing this site in tandem with land to the north of the M62 (south of Whiston) - what are these benefits?

#### **2.00 pm or later**

##### **5.19 KGBS8 Land at A58, Prescott.**

Is the selection of this site based on robust evidence of all the environmental and other impacts?

5.20 **KGBS10 Carr Lane Prescott.**

The Green Belt study states that release is compatible with Green Belt policy – but wouldn't development erode part of a very small gap between Prescott and Huyton, contributing to the merging of settlements?

5.21 **KGBS11 South of Kings Business Park.**

Does the conclusion that this site should remain in the Green Belt follow from the analysis in the Green Belt Technical Report (TR03), in which sustainability impacts are either neutral or positive?

Why does the conclusion not give greater weight to the almost complete absence of harm to the Green Belt (the parcel of land appears to be surrounded by built development) compared with most other sites in the assessment?