

Charnwood Local Plan Core Strategy Examination

Hearing session for Matter 4 The Development Strategy

9.30am Tues 16th December 2014 (all day)

AGENDA

1) Basis and justification for distribution of development across Borough

- Explanation of spatial strategy and distribution of growth
- Principal Urban Area
 - definition
 - background
 - justification for focussing growth in PUA
 - basis for specific scale of growth planned
- Loughborough and Shepshed
 - justification for focussing growth at Loughborough and Shepshed
 - basis for specific scale of growth planned
 - Shepshed – relationship with Loughborough (physical and functional), arguments in favour of categorising Shepshed as a Service Centre?
- Service Centres
 - basis for specific scale of growth planned
- Other settlements
 - basis for specific scale of growth planned

2) Options considered

- Alternative options considered for spatial strategy and distribution of growth across Borough – when considered and how
- Justification for preferred option and reasons others discounted

3) Basis for settlement hierarchy

- Basis for distinguishing between settlements – evidence, justification
- Service Centres – list appropriate and justified?
- Other settlements – list appropriate and justified?
- Small villages and hamlets - list appropriate and justified?
- Elsewhere – what is the approach and is this clear?

4) Clarity of scale of development in individual settlements

- Situation regarding completions and existing commitments – residual need
- Need for more detail on individual settlements?
- “Local social and economic need” – definition, practical implementation, justification
- Distinction in policy approach towards other settlements compared with small villages and hamlets