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Planning Inspectorate

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Independent Examination Hearing - Part 3

Matter 7 – Site Allocations, Garden Village and Carried Forward Allocations: Berinsfield, Culham, Didcot

Thursday 19 November 2026 am

Agenda

Please Note:

• The Hearing session will sit from 9.30am – 1pm with a short break mid-morning.

• Participants are encouraged to familiarise themselves with the Hearing Statements (and any additional evidence) produced by the Councils and other parties in respect of the matters addressed at this Hearing session. These are available on the Examination website.

• References to Matters, Issues and Questions (MIQs) are to the MIQs for the Examination [ID29]. The areas for discussion relate to points the Inspectors require further information on.

Where we refer to the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) it is the December 2023 version. Similarly, any reference to the Planning Practice Guidance (PPG), will be to the version relevant to the December 2023 NPPF.

Inspectors' Opening Announcements

Matter 7:

ISSUE – Whether the Plan's allocations and garden villages are justified, and whether the Plan's policies effectively guide their development in a clear and unambiguous way?

Site Allocations -Berinsfield, Didcot

Taking each of the following proposed sites individually – (Q7.2.1 -7.2.15)

Berinsfield

- **AS1 – Land at Berinsfield Garden Village**
  AS13 - Berinsfield Garden Village
    - Integration with and regeneration of Berinsfield (Q7.3.1)
    - Policy AS13 – framework for decision making (Q7.3.2)

Didcot

- **AS6 – Rich's Sidings and Broadway**
- **AS7 – Didcot Gateway**
    - Protection and enhancement of existing priority habitats (Q7.3.4)

- **AS16 Vauxhall Barracks**