

Actions noted for Matter 11 (Wednesday 2nd May, 2018)

Unless a deadline for actions is specifically stated, the Inspector suggested that the Council should seek to respond to all action points as soon as is reasonably possible and that the deadline for these can be agreed as time progresses.

Matter 11: Local Green Space

- 1. Policy 45: Local Green Space: The Inspector asked the Council to redraft Policy 45 and its supporting text to reflect the wording set out in the National Planning Policy Framework so that it is clear that the Council's approach to Local Green Space will be consistent with the National approach to Green Belt land.**

Taking account of the above, the Council propose the following wording amendments to Policy 42 of the Local Plan:

Policy 45 Local Green Space

~~Any development proposal which will result in the loss of a site designated as Local Green Space on the Adopted Policies Map will not be permitted, unless the harm of losing the asset is significantly outweighed by the benefits of the proposed development.~~

New development will not be permitted in areas designated as Local Green Space, other than in very special circumstances. Very special circumstances will only exist where the potential harm to the Local Green Space by reason of appropriateness, and any other harm, is clearly outweighed by other considerations.

Proposals put forward to the Council for Local Green Space designation will be assessed against the criteria set out within national planning policy.

10.9.4 Whilst the NPPF establishes the concept of LGS designation and provides some guiding principles, it leaves it to local authorities, in partnership with local communities to determine how to implement this at the local level. The Council will ensure that its approach is consistent with NPPF policy relating to Green Belt, when considering planning applications in or adjoining LGS.