

Matter 12 – Infrastructure Provision

March 2018

Local Plan Examination Matter Statement



*Oadby and Wigston
Borough Council*

Issue: Whether the LP will provide the necessary infrastructure to support the level of development proposed and within the timescales envisaged.

Q1. Is the Infrastructure Delivery Plan realistic in assessing the timescales that infrastructure will come forward over the plan period?

Council response;

1. Yes. The Council considers that the Local Plan will provide the required infrastructure to support the levels of growth specified.

2. The Council published its Infrastructure Delivery Plan (IDP) (LP6/18) as supporting evidence to the emerging new Local Plan. The IDP document includes details of known strategic and local infrastructure projects in the Borough brought to our attention following a period of public consultation and focussed stakeholder engagement with internal and external service providers alongside the Pre-Submission Local Plan public consultation between November and December 2017. Appendix 1 and 2 of the IDP set out the levels of infrastructure required to support the delivery of proposed growth set out in the Submission Local Plan up to 2031.

3. The Council considers that the infrastructure project timescales included in the document reflect the housing trajectory in the Local Plan at the point of adoption. The timescales incorporated in the document also seek to offer a degree of flexibility on the delivery of infrastructure projects, particularly those that will be directly related to the Direction for Growth Areas, because those specific infrastructure projects will come forward in tandem with the Direction for Growth Areas.

4. However, it is important to recognise that the IDP will be under continual review and is referred to as a 'live' document that can be updated, as appropriate, to ensure it is able to respond to market indicators and the Council's annually updated housing trajectory. The IDP will be updated at least every 5 years consistent with the nationally set Local Plan review period.

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