

Radlett Neighbourhood Plan Examination
Public Hearing, 10.00am, Wednesday 16th October, 2019
The Radlett Centre (Douglas Hicks Room),
Aldenham Avenue, Radlett, WD7 8HL

Agenda (Hearing to Commence at 10.00 am)

1. Introduction to the Hearing

(Nigel McGurk, Independent Examiner)

2. Neighbourhood Plan Policies

(led by Nigel McGurk, Independent Examiner)

- The Public Hearing will take the form of a discussion of the wording of each of the Policies¹ within the submitted Neighbourhood Plan with a focus, at all times, on the basic conditions.
- The Independent Examiner will raise points and ask the participants - Aldenham Parish Council/Radlett Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group and Hertsmere Borough Council - for their respective comments.
- The examination will focus upon the detailed wording of Policies. As well as considering the wording of Policies against the basic conditions, the Independent Examiner may seek to understand more in respect of the intent and purpose of Policies and consider the relevant evidence base.

3. Other Matters

4. Close

Please note the following:

- The Public Hearing is held entirely at the discretion of the Independent Examiner.
- The purpose of the Public Hearing is to allow the Independent Examiner to hear oral evidence from invited participants to assist with his examination of the Radlett Neighbourhood Plan.

¹ The Examiner will consider all 22 Policies, some very briefly, with a main focus on the *HD* and *RV* Policies. Invitees should be familiar with points raised during the Submission Consultation.

- Only one person may speak at any one time. The Public Hearing will be chaired by the Independent Examiner and run entirely at his discretion.
- The session will take the form of a Neighbourhood Plan Public Hearing. This is distinctive to neighbourhood planning. **It is not the same** as a public inquiry, an appeal hearing or an examination in public.
- At the beginning of the Public Hearing, the Independent Examiner will establish how matters will proceed and participants will be required to follow these procedures to ensure an effective Public Hearing.
- Generally, the Independent Examiner will seek to examine issues in more detail by inviting participants to answer questions and/or provide their views. The matters to be considered – and the participants invited to speak on each matter – are set out above.
- No pre-hearing statements nor any further written submissions are invited. All participants should rely on information submitted prior to the close of the Regulation 16 consultation period.
- As a general rule, there will be no cross-examination. Participants may not question other participants, although they may request that questions be asked of other participants via the Independent Examiner, who will use his discretion in this regard.
- The general public are warmly invited to attend, but the discussion is restricted to invited participants.
- Attendees may leave at any time, but are requested to respect participants and other members of the general public in doing so.
- Whether attendees agree or disagree with what is being said at any time, attendance at the Public Hearing is on the basis that all people present will be respectful to all other parties at all times.