New Forest District (outside the National Park) Local Plan-Part 1:
Planning Strategy

Examination Hearings

Matter 5 – The Green Belt

Friday 7 June 2019 9.30am

AGENDA

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1. Capacity of land outside of the Green Belt
   • Overall housing and employment land requirements and residual requirements taking account of commitments
   • Process of identifying non-Green Belt land for potential development – factors taken into account e.g. spatial strategy and constraints
   • Results of that process in terms of overall capacity of non-Green Belt land
   • Justification for approach in terms of constraints applied and density assumptions
   • Potential for other authorities to accommodate development needs
   • Scale of Green Belt release required as a result

2. Green Belt Study 2016
   • Outline of methodology
   • Approach to identification of land parcels (inner and outer) and broad areas
   • Approach to assessment in terms of Green Belt purposes and rating of land parcels
   • Combining ratings for different Green Belt purposes and overall summary ratings

3. Approach to Green Belt alterations in the Local Plan
   • Exceptional circumstances in principle
   • Use of Green Belt Study to inform alterations to Green Belt – what were the conclusions of the Study in relation to the land in question?
   • Is the approach justified?
   • Safeguarded land

4. Policy 12
   • Justification for policy and consistency with national policy
   • Potential modifications to wording and opportunity to simplify policy