

WEST OXFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Examination of Salt Cross Garden Village Area Action Plan (AAP)

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HEARING SESSION AGENDA

Matter 5 – Salt Cross Science and Technology Park and Small Scale Commercial Opportunities and Flexible Business Space Wednesday 30 June (AM)¹

Issue

Whether the policies on the Salt Cross science and technology park and small scale commercial opportunities and flexible business space are justified, effective, and consistent with national policy.

Relevant Policies – 18, 19

Notes.

- Questions relevant to this Matter are those listed at 1-7 of the Inspector's Matters, Issues and Questions (MIQ)² and have been the subject of written statements.
- This agenda is an abridged version of the MIQs designed indicate the specific areas that the Inspector would like to focus on in the Hearing session. This is to assist all participants with preparation (with the relevant question number from the MIQ document also included to allow cross referencing). Other MIQs within this matter that are not on the agenda are still open for discussion at the Hearing session.

Agenda items

- Is the policy approach in the AAP based on a robust understanding of business needs? **MIQ1**
- Is provision for safeguarding land needed for developing the science and technology park effective and justified, including the specific reference to 40ha? Will the Policy enable land to be safeguarded over the lifetime of the project? **MIQ2**
- What assessment has been made of any effects of a 'hub' that includes complementary uses under Policy 18 and small scale commercial opportunities under Policy 19 on the vitality and viability of other nearby services, including those in Eynsham? **MIQ3**

¹ The full Hearing programme can be found here - <https://www.westoxon.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy/salt-cross-garden-village/salt-cross-area-action-plan-examination/>

² <https://www.westoxon.gov.uk/media/2p1dbd5h/insp-2-inspector-s-matters-issues-and-questions.pdf>