

Chigwell Neighbourhood Plan 2018-2033

Notice of an Exploratory Meeting

I have been appointed by Epping Forest District Council with the agreement of Chigwell Parish Council as the Independent Examiner to examine the above neighbourhood plan under the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012.

I have decided to call a non-statutory, exploratory meeting to examine issues of a procedural and compliance nature to initially assess whether the Chigwell Neighbourhood Plan meets the legislative requirements. It will not be a public hearing held under the provision of the relevant neighbourhood plan legislation. The meeting will take place on **Wednesday 5th September 2018** starting at **10am**. The venue is **Chigwell Parish Council Offices, Hainault Road, Chigwell, Essex. IG7 6QZ**. Background information is contained in the document "Initial Comments of the Independent Examiner" 'dated 25th July 2018, which can be viewed on the following website <http://www.efdclocalplan.org/local-plan/planning-policy/neighbourhood-planning/chigwell-neighbourhood-plan-examination/>

Whilst the meeting will be open to the public I will only be inviting the participation of representatives of Chigwell Parish Council and Epping Forest District Council.

Agenda

1. Introductory Remarks of the Examiner
2. Does the Plan comply with the requirements of EU legislation in terms of the Habitat Regulations?
 - The plan appears to rely upon mitigation measures set out in an emerging local plan, that has not itself been examined and is subject to unresolved objections
 - What are the implications of the judgement of the European Court in the People Over Wind and Peter Sweetman v Coillte Teoranta case?
 - What are the parties' comments on the Natural England letter sent as a Regulation 16 consultation response dated 24th April 2018?
 - Do the provisions of Schedule 2 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 apply, namely, a neighbourhood plan cannot be made if the likelihood of significant effects on any European site, either alone (or in combination with other plans and projects) cannot be ruled out?
3. Does the plan comply with the SEA Regulations?
 - Has the plan considered "reasonable alternatives" in respect of the selection of Rolls Park to provide funding for the Community Hub?
 - I wish to understand how the site was selected and what are the mechanisms to secure the funding of the Community Hub and if it is through a planning obligation, whether that would meet the tests set out in Regulation 122 of the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010
4. Concluding remarks of the Examiner

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