

Inquiry Programme (subject to change during course of Inquiry)

Week 1				
	Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Session 4
15 September 10am start, finish around 14:30pm IP Representations Evening Session (ONLINE ONLY) 18:00-19:30pm	Inspector, Appellant, LPA and R6 openings.	IP in-person representations Inspector questions for Appellant's Master planning witness shared. Written response due end of 18 September 2026.	Roundtable – Accessibility - LPA, R6 and Appellant (1.5 hrs)	IP online representations – evening session online only 18:00 – 19:30pm
16 September 09:30am start, finish around 17:00pm	R6 – Transport – John Russell EiC and XX (2.5 hrs)	LPA – Transport (Main Issue 5 only) – Lynn Parker EiC (1 hr)	APP – Transport – Anna Meer EiC and XX (3.5 hrs) including suitable break	
17 September 09:30am start, finish around 16:30pm	LPA - Landscape - Stephen Kirkpatrick EiC and XX (3 hrs) including suitable break		APP - Landscape – Neil Furber EiC and XX (up to 2 hrs) with potential break	APP – Ecology - Daniel Ross EiC (1 hr)
18 September 09:30am start, finish around 12:00.	LPA – Policy - Eddie West EiC and XX (2.75 hrs) including suitable break		<u>Inquiry not sitting</u>	

Week 2				
	Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Session 4
22 September 09:30am start, finish around 16:30pm	Roundtable – Education – LPA and Appellant (1.5 hrs)	Roundtable – HLS – LPA and Appellant	Roundtable – HLS – LPA and Appellant	Roundtable – HLS – LPA and Appellant or site visit if time permits
23 September 09:30am start, finish around 16:30	LPA – Green Belt – Will Hossack EiC and XX (3 hrs) including suitable break		APP – Green Belt – Neil Furber EiC and XX (0.75 hr)	R6 – Planning – Tom Ryan EiC and XX (2.25 hrs) including suitable break
24 September 09:30am start, finish around 17:00pm	LPA – Planning – Lynn Parker EiC and XX (3 hrs) including suitable break		APP – Planning – Megan Wilson EiC and XX (4.25 hrs) including suitable break	
25 September 09:30am start, finish around 12:00.	Planning Obligations or site visit TBC depending on progress.		<u>Inquiry not sitting</u>	
Week 3				
	Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Session 4
6 October 09:30am start, finish time to be determined but no later than 16:30pm ONLINE ONLY	Planning obligations if not already discussed. If they have, planning conditions and closings can move to a single day on 6 or 7 October.	Planning Conditions		
7 October 09:30am start, finish around 13:30 ONLINE ONLY	R6 Closing (0.75 hr)	LPA Closing (1 hr)	APP Closing (1 hr)	

Notes

- Interested Party (IP) Representations – several people wish to speak in-person and online. Separate sessions for each, but material should not be repeated by multiple individuals – use spokespeople. IP's can also ask questions of witnesses providing they advise the Inspector which witnesses / topics they wish to ask questions.
- **Any IP's who wish to read out a pre-prepared statement are asked to submit a copy to the case officer at the Planning Inspectorate before the Inquiry opens.** Please email: Aimee.Peckham@planninginspectorate.gov.uk.
Please use your name within the document name.
- Inspector questions will be asked before any re-examination, though could be asked at any natural point.
- LPA to provide details for online sessions and are responsible for organising them.
- **15 September 6:00 – 7:30 pm online session for interested parties.**
- **6 and 7 October 2026 – online only providing all evidence has been heard.**

Witnesses

- Planning witnesses should be prepared to start giving evidence sooner than programmed. Unlikely to change for other witnesses, but the programme is subject to change.
- No changes to be made to when roundtable sessions on education and housing land supply take place. If time becomes available in the programme the site visit could take place earlier.
- Appellant's Ecology witness to give Evidence in Chief to explain recent survey work, outcomes and measures to be secured such as bird mitigation strategy and the scheme's ability to accommodate this. Inspector and any IP questions may follow.
- Written Inspector Questions to be responded to by Appellant's Master planning witness. Questions will be provided after Inquiry opens and adequate time for a response to be submitted.
- Heritage evidence to be taken as read unless IPs have any questions for Appellant's heritage witness and/or they wish to respond to IP points.
- Appellant's Flooding and drainage evidence to be taken as read unless IPs have any questions for Appellant's flooding and drainage witness and/or they wish to respond to IP points.