South Staffordshire Local Plan Examination

Examination Hearings

Matter 6 - Green Belt

Friday 30 May 2025

AGENDA

ISSUE: Whether the Plan's approach to Green Belt is positively prepared, justified, effective and consistent with national policy¹.

- 1. **Principle of Green Belt release** (Questions 1 and 2 of the MIQ document)
- **2. Green Belt Review** (Questions 3 and 4)
- 3. **Demonstrating Exceptional Circumstances** (Questions 5, 6 and 7)
- **4. Boundary amendments** (Questions 8 and 9)
- 5. Safeguarded Land (Question 10)
- **6.** Compensatory Improvements (Question 12)
- 7. Any other matters
- **8. Main Modifications** (Question 11)

We will <u>not</u> be permitting evidence or discussion about omission sites. Should we find that the Council needs to allocate more sites, then it will be for the Council to identify them in due course and test and consult on them in line with the Regulations.

¹ Please Note: This issue concerns the principle and overall approach to the Green Belt. Detailed matters relating to individual site allocations and the specific implications for the Green Belt are dealt with in Matter 7.