

## WYRE LOCAL PLAN EXAMINATION

### STATEMENT BY WYRE BOROUGH COUNCIL ON THE INSPECTOR'S MATTERS, ISSUES AND QUESTIONS

#### **MATTER 10** **Implementation and Monitoring**

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##### **Issue 1 – Indicators and Targets**

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**1.1 *Are the Performance Monitoring Indicators and targets specific and measurable?***

1.1.1 Yes they are.

1.1.2 The Council is satisfied that the Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI) identified in Table 10.1 in the Local Plan<sup>1</sup>, are specific and can be practically used to measure the implementation of the performance of the Local Plan against the objectives and the Local Plan policies.

1.1.3 PMIs will be monitored through the Authority's Monitoring Report (AMR). Paragraph 10.1.7<sup>2</sup> states, the indicators and targets will be reviewed throughout the plan period to assess their suitability and so they remain appropriate. Any revision to PMIs including additional indicators will be included in the AMR.

1.1.4 The targets/outcomes PMI8 – PMI14 and PMI16<sup>3</sup> will relate to the Housing Implementation Strategy (HIS) and will be reviewed as part of the annual review of the HIS at the end of the financial year.

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##### **Issue 2 – Review Mechanisms**

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**2.1 *Is the LP clear as to when a review or partial review of the LP would be triggered due to a failure to meet key targets?***

2.1.1 Yes it is.

2.1.2 A modification is proposed to chapter 10 in the Local Plan to introduce a new section 10.4 relating to Local Plan Review. As indicated in the proposed modification, potential failure to meet key targets such as the delivery of housing could potentially trigger a review of the Local Plan.

2.1.3 The Localism Act 2011 requires local authorities to produce reports, known as 'Authorities' Monitoring Reports (AMR). The Council is committed to preparing and publishing an AMR in December each year. The AMR will monitor the

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<sup>1</sup> Submission Document Library Reference SD004, Page 166-172

<sup>2</sup> Submission Document Library Reference SD004

<sup>3</sup> Submission Document Library Reference SD004, page 167

delivery of the objectives and policies in the Local Plan through the Performance Monitoring Indicators (PMI) set out in table 10.1<sup>4</sup>.

2.1.4 Table 10.1 sets out the PMI's that will be used to monitor the relevant objectives and the policies contained within the Local Plan. The table identifies relevant indicators and targets/outcomes for each objective and policy, along with the sources of data that will be used to help monitor each indicator and therefore each objective and policy. Through continuous monitoring of the indicators and targets/outcomes, the Council will be able to determine whether there is a need to undertake a partial or full review of the Local Plan.

**2.2 *Is the LP clear as to what other circumstances might trigger a review or partial review of the LP?***

2.2.1 Yes it is

2.2.2 As noted above in paragraph 2.1.2 a modification is proposed to chapter 10 in the Local Plan to introduce a new section 10.4 relating to Local Plan Review. It is described therein that a review could potentially be triggered if there is a significant change in circumstances relating to national policy or the evidence base. Such significant change in circumstances includes a new revised National Planning Policy Framework. Also potential new evidence relating to overall housing need in Wyre or highway capacity, will require consideration of whether a review of the Local Plan would be appropriate.

2.2.3 The proposed modification to Chapter 10 also covers the preparation of a Housing Implementation Strategy (HIS) which will be updated annually. The annual review of HIS may indicate that the housing strategy is not being delivered and the Council will consider whether it is appropriate to review the housing strategy of the Local Plan.

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<sup>4</sup> Submission Document Library Reference SD004, page 166-172