

South Gloucestershire Local Development Framework Core Strategy DPD Examination

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Examination in Public – South Gloucestershire Core Strategy DPD

I attach a draft programme and potential participant list for the hearing sessions into the South Gloucestershire Core Strategy.

This remains subject to alteration because a significant number of respondents have yet to confirm whether they wish to take part in the hearing sessions or are prepared to act through an appointed spokesperson or otherwise are content to rely on written submissions.

There is a considerable amount of interest in this Core Strategy with the possibility that participants for some sessions could exceed manageable numbers for an effective round table discussion. I am reluctant to contemplate more than 30 people being involved in discussions on any matter. For this reason, only one seat can be allocated to any party where the number of participants is likely to exceed 20.

The Matters and Issues for discussion will be sent out as soon as I am clear as to those who want to appear. I hope to be in a position to do this no later than Friday 27th April. I must therefore stress the importance of informing the Programme Officer whether you wish to appear as soon as possible, if you have not already done so. Those shown on the attached draft programme that do not do so will not be included in the final programme.

It would also be extremely helpful if agents could update the Programme Officer on the clients they are representing because in some cases this appears to have changed.

In order to make maximise use of hearing time and to minimise the number of occasions participants need to attend, I will consider relevant elements of the Core Strategy in single sessions wherever possible.

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For instance, where sessions are to be held covering specific geographical locations e.g. the North and East Fringe, Rural Areas, Yate, Thornbury and Severnside, it would be more effective to discuss the spatial portrait, vision and strategic objectives for these areas as set out in chapters 2 to 4 of the Plan instead of dealing with these in the general sessions on day 1.

Yours faithfully

Paul Crysell
Inspector

Enc: Draft Programme & Potential Participant List