

***Rother Development and Site Allocations Local Plan
Examination***

**Wednesday 8 May 2019
Council Chamber**

Hearing Agenda – Session 1

1. Introduction to Hearing Sessions by the Inspector

2. Opening Statement by Council

Matter 1 Legal and procedural requirements

Key Issue:

Whether the Plan meets the legal process and requirements?

- Has the Council submitted robust evidence to demonstrate that it has met the duty to cooperate? Are there any outstanding strategic matters?
- Has the plan been prepared in accordance with the Local Development Scheme?
- How does the proposed substitution of policies DHG1, DHG2 and DEC3 relate to the Local Development Scheme?
- Has the plan been prepared in compliance with the Statement of Community Involvement?
- Has the plan been prepared on a sound process of Sustainability Appraisal?
- Are the likely effects of the Plan adequately and accurately assessed in the Habitats Regulations Assessment?
- Have all the procedural requirements for publicity been met?
- Does the Plan as a whole include policies designed to ensure that the development and use of land within the district contributes to the mitigation of, and adaptation of, climate change in accordance with the regulations?

3. Action points and matters arising