Adur Local Plan: Main Modifications

West Sussex County Council response

The Adur Local Plan: Main Modifications sets out how Adur District Council (ADC) will plan for future development up to 2032. Following the examination hearings in 2017, ADC is consulting on the Main Modifications which the Inspector considers are necessary to make the plan sound/ legally compliant. The proposed modifications include changes to policies and supporting text in several sections of the Local Plan. This note sets out County Council officer comments upon the main modifications.

The County Council, as the Lead Local Flood Authority, considers the Adur Local Plan to have suitable policy requirements to ensure appropriate flood risk and sustainable drainage is provided to mitigate development.

Main modification MM8 could lead to a conflict between policies 5 and 37 of the Adur Local Plan, as the evidence to support the plan did not consider a higher level of development, over 600 dwellings. We are aware this could be challenging and could lead to delay or inability to deliver the site in accordance with the policy.

It is suggested that the word 'minimum' is removed from policy 5, as this could conflict with the delivery of a sustainable drainage strategy for the residential development and the wider site as a whole, and lead to delay or inability to deliver the site in accordance with the policy.

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