Merthyr Tydfil Replacement Local Development Plan (2016-2031)

EXAMINATION

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Schedule of Action Points: Week 1

Reference	Action	Specified deadline
Hearing 1		
AP1.1	Council to adjust the SA Report in accordance with Appendix 1 of its written statement for hearing 1.	Thursday 11 July
Hearing 2		
AP2.1	Council to delete the reasoned justification at para 6.5.32 of the LDP (to align with proposed changes to policy SW4 (Settlement Boundaries) set out at page 9 of its written statement for hearing 2).	Thursday 11 July
AP2.2	Council to amend paragraph 6.5.59 of the LDP to clarify that SuDS features could contribute to on-site provision of public open space.	Thursday 11 July
AP2.3	Council to delete the word "indicative" from criterion 1 of Policy SW9.	Thursday 11 July
AP2.4	Council to amend criterion 3 of SW9 and associated text at para 6.5.59 and Appendix 7 (as proposed to be amended in its written statement for hearing 2) to:	Thursday 11 July
	Remove any cross-reference to standards in the policy,	
	 Refer to the 'most recent Open Space Strategy' (and also to Appendix 7, if retained) in the reasoned justification, and 	
	 Provide guidance on how open space standards would be applied, including in relation to population catchments. 	
Hearing 3		
AP3.1	 Merthyr Tydfil Heritage Trust to submit their calculations of past build rates. Council to submit South East Wales Planning Group's paper comparing Welsh Government recorded build rates to JHLAS rates (if available; else to submit a paper explaining discrepancies in figures). 	Close of business on Friday 28 June
AP3.2	Council to submit the 5-year Housing Land Supply figure for each year of the remaining plan period.	Thursday 27 June
AP3.3	 Council to provide an updated housing trajectory which: Identifies the 5-year Housing Land Supply figure for each year of the remaining plan period, and Identifies the expected rate of housing delivery for affordable housing, as per Planning Policy Wales para 4.2.10. 	Thursday 11 July
AP3.4	Council to submit a brief paper on current and emerging Welsh Government grant funding arrangements and potential effects on	Thursday 11 July

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	the delivery of housing sites.	
AP3.5	Council to amend policy SW11 (Sustainable Design) and its supporting text to encourage inclusive/adaptable design and a mix of house types and sizes in accordance with para 4.7 of the LDP and paras 4.2.1 and 4.2.11 of PPW.	Thursday 11 July
Hearing 4		
AP4.1	Council to submit pre-application plans and letter to developer relating to site SW3.4 Brondeg.	Thursday 11 July
AP4.2	Council to amend the entry for site SW3.8 (Land South of Castle Park) in Appendix 1 to reference the Site of Importance for Nature Conservation designation and any necessary ecological mitigation in relation to it.	Thursday 11 July
AP4.3	 Council to submit a paper setting out the following: The current planning permission status of all allocated sites. In relation to site SW3.5 (Erw Las): the effect of the allocation on the provision of amenity green space within a 1,000 population catchment area. 	No later than noon Tuesday 16 July
	• In relation to site SW3.31 (Cwmfelin): justification accompanied by evidence to demonstrate that the site has a reasonable prospect of being delivered for the number of units allocated, having regard to site constraints (in particular in relation to ecology, access and ownership).	
	• Any consequential changes which need to be made to the Plan as a result of the above, related to the delivery of the Plan.	
Hearing 5		
AP5.1	Council to amend reasoned justification to policy SW4 (settlement boundaries), rather than policy EcW7, to clarify the approach to assessing tourism, leisure and recreation development (and complementary development) outside settlement boundaries.	Thursday 11 July
AP5.2	Council to identify all 4 out-of-town retailing areas in LDP paragraph 6.8.54 proposed in the Council's hearing statement.	Thursday 11 July
AP5.3	Council to amend LDP paragraph 4.40 to identify Cyfarthfa Retail Park and Trago Mills as out-of centre developments.	Thursday 11 July
AP5.4	Council to amend policy EcW5 and reasoned justification to refer to the viability of existing uses in the context of the agent of change principle.	Thursday 11 July
AP5.5	Council to amend policies EcW1 and EcW2, and their reasoned justification, to clarify that the provision of B1(a) (office) uses on out-of-centre allocations would be subject to sequential	Thursday 11 July

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	assessment.	
AP5.6	Council to submit a paper outlining the justification for, and deliverability of, the Ffos-y-fran employment allocation within anticipated timescales. The paper should:	Thursday 11 July
	• Draw on evidence including the Employment Land Review and Phase 1 of the Ffos y fran land reclamation scheme,	
	• If necessary, provide an update in relation to land supply at the nearby Goatmill Road allocation, and	
	• Provide additional justification about the allocation's 'fit' with the Plan's strategy and objectives.	