Hearing Position Statement Additional MIQs for the Examination Parts 1 & 2 Matter 5 – Settlements and Sites – March 2024 W.H. Kerkham (Rhoon Ltd.)



### KING'S LYNN AND WEST NORFOLK LOCAL PLAN EXAMINATION ADDITIONAL MIQS HEARING POSITION STATEMENT MATTER 5 SETTLEMENTS AND SITES

#### **Quality Assurance**

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Borough Council of King's Lynn & West Norfolk Local

Matter 5 - Settlements and Sites

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8 March 2024

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#### UPDATE NOTE ON DELIVERABILITY AND DEVELOPABILITY OF HOUSING ALLOCATIONS [F50B]



#### 1.0 Background

- 1.1 This Hearing Statement has been prepared by Bidwells LLP on behalf of W.H. Kerkham (Rhoon Ltd.) in conjunction with the King's Lynn & West Norfolk Local Plan Review.
- 1.2 This Statement seeks to address the Inspector's additional MIQs Matter 5 Settlements and Sites (AQ54-AQ56 inclusive), as a basis for discussion at the resumed hearings during 16-19 April 2024 (Week 4) when site proposals, and housing land supply and policies, will be discussed.



#### 2.0 Response to Inspector's Questions

2.1 As requested by the Inspectors, the following provides a response to their Additional MIQs, as they relate to Policy G47.1 (Heacham – Land off Cheney Hill) in connection with Matter 5 Settlements and Sites, Issue 5.

AQ54. Is the expected delivery of dwellings on the site allocated by Policy G47.1 in 2024/25 (20), 2025/26 (30), 2026/27 (30), 2027/28 (30) and 2028/29 (23) supported by appropriate evidence in the Update Note on Deliverability and Developability of Housing Allocations [F50b]?

- 2.2 W.H. Kerkham (Rhoon Ltd.) contends that the expected delivery of dwellings on the site allocated by Policy G47.1 is supported by appropriate evidence in the Update Note on Deliverability and Developability of Housing Allocations [Examination Doc Ref F50b], provided within Appendix 1.
- 2.3 As indicated within Document F50b, Land East of 3 to 5 Cheney Hill, Heacham, is allocated by Policy G47.1. Furthermore, the land covered by the allocation area is subject to two outline planning permissions for up to 69 dwellings (LPA Ref. 15/00352/OM) and up to 64 dwellings (LPA Ref. 16/01385/OM). Reserved Matters applications (18/00226/RMM and 21/01412/RMM respectively) have subsequently been made and are currently pending consideration with the Local Planning Authority (LPA). The allocation site is therefore subject to a total of up to 133 dwellings across the two sites in the allocation. The intention remains to build out the two sites as a single entity.
- 2.4 In this context it is recognised that delivery timescales are dependent on the date of the Reserved Matters applications being granted, with a decision expected later this year. We consider that a start within 12 months of permission is considered likely, with the expectation of delivery from 2024/25 onwards. The trajectory indicated (up to 30 dwellings per annum) is considered to be both appropriate, realistic, deliverable and achievable.

# AQ55. As outline planning permission has been granted for 133 dwellings across two sites within this allocation, should Policy G47.1 be amended to reflect this in order to be effective?

- 2.5 W.H. Kerkham (Rhoon Ltd.) agrees that as two outline planning permissions have been granted for up to 133 dwellings across two sites within this allocation, that are now subject to their respective reserved matters applications (that are supplemented by a suite of supporting information), Policy G47.1 should be amended to reflect this, in accordance with the requirements of para. 35 of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) in respect of 'soundness'.
- 2.6 This will ensure that Local Plan Policy G47.1 is effective and 'sound', mindful that the outline planning permissions have shown that the approximate quantum of development (i.e. up to 133 dwellings, rather than at least 60 dwellings) is achievable.
- 2.7 This approach will also ensure that Local Plan Policy G47.1 is also consistent with the Local Planning Authorities evidence that informs the Local Plan, namely the Update Note on Deliverability and Developability of Housing Allocations [F50b], provided within Appendix 1.

## AQ56. Have the applications for reserved matters been approved? If not, what is the expected timescale for their consideration and what are the implications, if any, for the delivery of this site?

- 2.8 The site is currently the subject of two Reserved Matters planning applications (18/00226/RMM and 21/01412/RMM), pursuant to the Outline Planning Permissions (15/00352/OM and 16/01385/OM) respectively, that are currently under consideration by the LPA.
- 2.9 Revised plans and associated information for both RM applications were submitted to the LPA on 19 December 2023, and at the time of writing are subject to re-consultation. The LPA have indicated that, subject to further consideration, the RM applications could both be considered at a Planning Committee in July 2024.
- 2.10 W.H. Kerkham (Rhoon Ltd.) therefore remains confident that the two sites subject to RM applications will be delivered in accordance with the delivery rates indicated within AQ54, and provided within Appendix 1.

#### APPENDIX 1 UPDATE NOTE ON DELIVERABILITY AND DEVELOPABILITY OF HOUSING ALLOCATIONS [F50B]

### **APPENDIX B**

**Borough Council of King's Lynn and West Norfolk** 

UPDATE NOTE ON DELIVERABILITY & DEVELOPABILITY OF HOUSING ALLOCATIONS

**April 2023** 





Land W of 1 to 23	and 21 are complete, with the remaining 6					(completed)	2024/25 - 3
Ashwicken Road	currently being built out.		17/02375/RMM - 12				
Pott Row			dwellings, granted March			2023 - 3 houses	
and the second			2018			2024 - 3 houses	
			19/01680/RMM - 15 dwellings, granted November 2019			Completion is forecast for September 2024	
G42.1 - Land Adjacent to 16 Lynn	Avada Country Houses have recently	Subject to planning			Subject to planning	2025 - 12 houses	BCKLWN proposed
Road	completed the purchase of this site from The	permission and the			permission and the	All 12 units would be	housing trajectory:
	Sandringham Estate and intend to submit a	economy, pre-			economy, house building	completed in 2025.	2027/28-5
Land S of 16	planning application for 12 dwellings.	construction			is estimated to begin		2028/29-5
Lynn Road		infrastructure work is			around Easter 2024		
Bircham	A full planning application for 12 dwellings	estimated to begin in					
	has very recently been received and is pending validation.	late 2023.					
G43.1 - Land South of Walcup's	Allocated for at least 12 dwellings. Planning		16/01634/OM - 16	S106	Currently unknown	Currently unknown	
Lane	permission was granted for 16 dwellings and site preparation work has commenced. Four		dwellings, granted February 2017	signed 20/1/17			BCKLWN proposed Housing Trajectory
Land S of 73 and 76 Summerwood	discharge applications have been approved						2024/25-6
Estate	with one still pending consideration.		18/02038/RMM - 16				2025/26-10
Walcups Lane			dwellings, granted				
Great Massingham	Work on site is currently on hold - see comments from the agent:		February 2019				
	"Plandescil have been in negotiations with Highways since the permission was granted,						
	but unfortunately it seems to take an						
	exceptional amount of time to reach a						
	conclusion with the Highways authority."						

Allocation	Ownership	Comments in respect of delivery	Marketing	Site preparation	Planning applications	S106 agreeme nts	House building	Build out rate/Completions	BCKLWN Proposed Housing Trajectory/Notes
G47.1 - Land off Cheney Hill		Allocated for at least 60 dwellings. Outline			15/00352/OM - 69	S106		2024: 20	2024/25: 20
		permissions have been granted for 133 units			dwellings, granted	signed		2025: 30	2025/26: 30
Land E of 3 to 5		across two sites in the allocation. Reserved			February 2016	24/7/18		2026: 30	2026/27: 30
Cheney Hill		matters applications for both sites are						2027: 30	2027/28: 30
Heacham		currently pending consideration.			18/00226/RMM - 69			2028: 23 (completion)	2028/29: 23
					dwellings, pending				
and the second		Delivery timescales are dependent on date of			consideration				
		planning permission(s). Start within 12							BCKLWN propose to
		months of permission being received. Rate			16/01385/OM - 64				increase allocation to
		indicated is likely			dwellings, granted on				133 dwellings
					appeal September 2018				_
					21/01412/RMM - 64				
					dwellings, pending				
					consideration				
G48.1 - Land South of Foresters		Allocated for at least 12 dwellings. An outline			16/00718/OM - 17	S106		2024 - 17 houses	BCKLWN proposed
Avenue		application for 17 dwellings was approved in			dwellings, granted	signed			Housing Trajectory
					February 2017, lapsed	30/1/2017			2024/25-6



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