

**Reading Borough Council**

**Examination of the Reading Borough Local Plan Partial Update**

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**HEARING AGENDA – DAY 1, MATTER 3**

**STAGE 2 HEARINGS – WEEK 1**

**Tuesday 3 February 2026 at 9.30am**

**Note:**

- This hearing is being held in person at Reading Town Hall, Blagrove Street, Reading RG1 1QH.
- All participants are encouraged to familiarise themselves with the hearing statements produced by the Council and other parties in respect of the issues addressed at this session. These are available on the Examination website.
- References to questions in square brackets are those posed by the Inspector in the Inspector's Matters, Issues and Questions for Stage 2 Hearings (EX037). This can be viewed on the Examination website.
- The matter statements provided for each session and the participants are listed on this agenda.
- The agenda follows the Inspector's Matters, Issues and Questions for Stage 2 Hearings, but additional questions will be asked.
- The Local Plan Partial Update with tracked changes (LP003b) will be referred to during the hearing.

**Matter 3**

1. Inspector's Opening Remarks
2. Will the Council be able to demonstrate a five year supply of housing land on adoption of the LPPU? [3.1 – 3.7]
3. Are the policies for housing positively prepared, justified, effective and consistent with national policy? [3.8 – 3.19]

### **Statements received for Matter 3**

- Reading Borough Council (EX046)
- Taylor Cherrett, Turley on behalf of CBRE Investment Management (EX057)
- Mark Behrendt, Home Builders Federation (EX058)
- Jonathan Walton, Opus Works on behalf of Mapledurham Properties Limited (EX059)
- Mark Owen, Stantec on behalf of the University of Reading (EX060)

### **Participants for Matter 3**

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