

**Reading Borough Council**

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

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**HEARING AGENDA – DAY 3, MATTERS 5 AND 9**

**STAGE 2 HEARINGS – WEEK 1**

**Thursday 5 February 2026**

**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 5 starting at 9.30am**

1. Inspector's Opening Remarks
2. Built and Natural Environment [5.1 – 5.15]

**Statements received for Matter 5**

- Reading Borough Council (EX048)

- Judith Montford, Environment Agency (EX064)
- Mark Behrendt, Home Builders Federation (EX065)
- Mark Owen, Stantec on behalf of the University of Reading (EX066)

**Participants for Matter 5**

- Reading Borough Council
- Bettina Kirkham, Berkshire Gardens Trust
- Judith Montford, Environment Agency
- Mark Behrendt, Home Builders Federation
- Mark Owen, Stantec on behalf of the University of Reading
- Deborah Dadd, Keep Kentwood Green
- Julia Waters, Keep Kentwood Green

**Matter 9 starting at 1.30pm**

3. Inspector's Opening Remarks
4. Other Uses [9.1 – 9.3]

**Statements received for Matter 9**

- Reading Borough Council (EX052)
- Jeffrey Ng, Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Berkshire West Integrated Care Board (EX061)
- Angela Wright, Office of Nuclear Regulation (EX070)
- Paula Amorelli, West Berkshire District Council (EX071)

**Participants for Matter 9**

- Reading Borough Council
- Jeffrey Ng, Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Berkshire West Integrated Care Board
- Angela Wright, Office of Nuclear Regulation
- Paula Amorelli, West Berkshire District Council