

Copeland Local Plan 2021 – 2038

Examination in Public

Live Hearings Information

Copeland Local Plan hearings commence on Tuesday 31st January 2023 at 9.30am.

They will be held in person and spectators are also welcome to attend.

Venue

Bainbridge Room, The Copeland Centre,
Catherine Street, Whitehaven, Cumbria, CA28 7SJ

Agendas

[HA 01 Matter 1 Hearing Agenda Tuesday 31st January at 9.30am](#)

[HA 02 Matter 2 Hearing Agenda Tuesday 31st January at 9.30am](#)

[HA 03 Matter 3 Hearing Agenda Tuesday 31st January at 2pm](#)

INS03b Draft Hearings Programme

Updated 25 January 2023 to include participants (subject to change)

Week 1		
Date	Time	Session dealing with
Tues 31 January 2023	9.30am morning	- Inspectors' opening announcements -Councils' Opening Statement Matter 1 – Procedural/legal requirements Matter 2 – The duty to co-operate
Participants for Matter 1		
1. Copeland Borough Council <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chris Hoban – Strategic Planning Manager• Leanne Parr – Principal Strategic Planner• Luke Carroll – Graduate Strategic Planner• Graeme Down (David Archer Assoc. for HRA)		
2. Natural England (id75) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Niamh Keddy• Mark Hesketh•		
Participants for Matter 2		
1. Copeland Borough Council <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chris Hoban• Leanne Parr• Luke Carroll		

Tues 31 January 2023	2.00pm afternoon	Matter 3 – The Development Strategy (Strategic Policies DS1PU-DS4PU)
Participants for Matter 3		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Copeland Borough Council <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chris Hoban • Leanne Parr • Luke Carroll 2. Egremont Town Council - Councillor David Wright (id74) 3. Home Builders Federation – Joanne Harding (id11) 4. Story Homes (Pinnacle Planning – Mike O’Brien) (id79) 5. Rheda Park Residents Association - Malcolm Knight (id43) 		
Wed 1 February 2023	9.30am all day	Matter 4 – The Housing Requirement (Policy SP H2PU)
Participants for Matter 4		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Copeland Borough Council <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chris Hoban • Leanne Parr • Luke Carroll • Justin Gardener (J G Consulting) 2. Home Builders Federation – Joanne Harding (id11) 3. Persimmon Homes (Stephen Harris – Emery Planning) (id48) 4. Story Homes – (Pinnacle Planning - Mike O’Brien) (id79) 		
Thurs 2 February 2023	9.30am morning	Matter 5 – Other Housing Requirements (Policies H7PU; SP H8PU; SP H9PU; H10PU; H12PU)
Participants for Matter 5		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Copeland Borough Council <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chris Hoban • Leanne Parr • Luke Carrol 2. Home Builders Federation – Joanne Harding (id11) 3. Robert Milburn (id232) 4. Story Homes – (Pinnacle Planning- Mike O’Brien) (id79) 5. Mr Edwin Dinsdale (id281) 		
Thurs 2 February 2023	2.00pm afternoon	Matter 6 – Employment Land Requirement, Supply and Distribution (Policy SP E1PU; Table 9; SP E2PU; E7PU)
Participants for Matter 6		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Copeland Borough Council <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chris Hoban • Leanne Parr • Luke Carroll • (Consultant tbc) 2. Egremont Town Council - Councillor David Wright (id74) 3. 		

Week 2		
Date	Time	Session dealing with
Tues 7 February 2023	9.30am morning	Matter 7 – Retail and other main town centre uses (Policies SP R1PU; SP R2PU; SP R3PU; SP R4PU; R5PU; R6PU; R7PU; R8PU; R9PU; R10PU)
Participants for Matter 7 <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Copeland Borough Council <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chris Hoban • Leanne Parr • Luke Carroll • (Consultant tbc) 2. Egremont Town Council - Councillor David Wright (id74) 		
Tues 7 February 2023	2.00pm afternoon	Matter 8: Energy and Nuclear Development (Policies: CC1PU; CC2PU; SP NU1PU; SP NU2PU; SP NU3PU; NU4PU; NU5PU)
Participants for Matter 8 <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Copeland Borough Council <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chris Hoban • Leanne Parr • Luke Carroll • Heather Morrison (CBC - Principal Planning Officer) 2. Nuclear Decommissioning Authority (id68.2) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Frank Wigley (Remediation Strategy Lead, NDA) • Tony Smithers (Head of Group Property, NDA) • Steve Hardy (Director of Environment, NDA) • Matt Verlander (Avison Young-agent) 3. Sellafield Ltd (id70) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alyson Armett • Jean Monteith (Development Control Lead) • Paul Nicholson • Matt Verlander (Avison Young - agent) 		
Wed 8 February 2023	9.30am morning	Matter 15: Housing Allocations (Policies SP H4PU; H5PU) A) Towns Whitehaven Cleator Moor Egremont Millom
Participants for Matter 15 <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Copeland Borough Council 2. Brookhouse Group (Hannah Walker – Barton Willmore/Tom Whitehead-Brookhouse) (id82) 3. Carlisle Diocese Board of Finance (PFK – Simon Blacker) (id1.1) 4. Egremont Town Council - Councillor David Wright (id74) 5. Homes England (id81) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Craig Alsbury • Jonathon Behan • Rachel Pitt 6. Persimmon Homes (Stephen Harris – Emery Planning) (id48) 7. Story Homes – (Pinnacle Planning Mike O'Brien) (id79) 8. HEG2 Concerns Group - Mrs Gillian Beckwith & Mr Russell Beckwith (id62) Representing Mr Conrad O'Neill (id66); Mr Steve Laughlin (id64); Ms Lisa Yardley (id80) 		
Wed 8 February 2023	2.00 pm afternoon	Matter 15 cont: Housing Allocations B) Local Service Centres C) Sustainable Rural Villages and Rural Villages

		Broad locations
Participants for Matter 15		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Copeland Borough Council 2. Carlisle Diocese Board of Finance (PFK – Simon Blacker) (id1.1) 3. Egremont Town Council - Councillor David Wright (id74) 4. Rebecca Byrne (id33) 5. Landowner Mr Ellis (PFK – Simon Blacker) (id18) 		
Thurs 9 February 2023	9.30 am morning	Matter 16 Employment Site Allocations (Policies E3PU; E4PU; E5PU; E6PU)
Participants for Matter 16		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Copeland Borough Council 2. Copeland Council Project Delivery Team- (Avison Young) (68.1) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barbara Vernon (Property & Estates Manager, Copeland B C) • Bob Collins (Consultant) • Nick Wisken (Associate Director, Avison Young) • Mark Harris (Director, Avison Young) • Matt Verlander (Director, Avison Young) 3. Egremont Town Council - Councillor David Wright (id74) 		
Thurs 9 February 2023	2.00 pm afternoon	Matter 16 cont'd

Week 3		
Date	Time	Session dealing with
Tues 28 February 2023	9.30am morning	Matter 13 Connectivity (Policies SP CO1PU; SP CO2PU; SP CO3PU; SP CO4PU; CO5PU; CO6PU; CO7PU)
Participants for Matters 13		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Copeland Borough Council 		
Tues 28 February 2023	2.00pm afternoon	Matter 9 Rural Economy and Tourism (Policies RE1PU; RE2PU; RE3PU; SP T1PU; T2PU; T3PU)
Participants for Matter 9		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Copeland Borough Council 		
Wed 1 March 2023	9.30 am morning	Matter 10 Natural Environment (Policies SP N1PU-N4PU; N5PU; SP N6PU-N12PU; N13PU; N14PU)
Participants for Matter 10		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Copeland Borough Council 2. Homes England (id81) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Craig Alsbury • Jonathon Behan • Rachel Pitt 3. Persimmon Homes (Stephen Harris – Emery Planning) (id48) 		
Wed 1 March 2023	2.00pm afternoon	Matter 11 Built and Historic Environment (Policies BE1PU; BE2PU; BE3PU; BE4PU; BE5PU; BE6PU)
Participants for Matter 11		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Copeland Borough Council 		

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chris Hoban • Leanne Parr • Luke Carroll • Sammy Woodford (CBC – Conservation and Design Officer) 		
Thurs 2 March 2023	9.30 am morning	Matter 17 The Supply and Delivery of Housing Land (Policy H3PU)
Participants for Matter 17 <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Copeland Borough Council 2. Brookhouse Group (Hannah Walker – Barton Willmore) (id82) 3. Egremont Town Council - Councillor David Wright (id74) 4. Home Builders Federation – Joanne Harding (id11) 5. Persimmon Homes (Stephen Harris – Emery Planning) (id48) 		
Thurs 2 March 2023	2.00pm afternoon	Matter 18– Housing Development Policies (Policies SP H1PU; H6PU; H11PU; H13PU; H14PU; H15PU; H16PU; H17PU; H18PU; H19PU; H20PU)
Participants for Matter 18 <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Copeland Borough Council 2. Home Builders Federation – Joanne Harding (id11) 		

Week 4		
Date	Time	Session dealing with
Tues 7 March 2023	9.30am morning	Matter 14 Development Standards (Policies SP DS5PU; DS6PU; DS7PU; SP DS8PU; DS9PU; DS10PU; DS11PU)
Participants for Matter 14 <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Copeland Borough Council <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chris Hoban • Leanne Parr • Luke Carroll • Francesca Robinson (Allerdale BC – supporting CBC for IDP) 2. Egremont Town Council - Councillor David Wright (id74) 3. Homes England (id81) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Craig Alsbury • Jonathon Behan • Rachel Pitt 		
Tues 7 March 2023	2.00pm afternoon	Matter 12 Health, Sport, and Culture (Policies SP SC1PU; SC2PU; SC3PU; SC4PU; SC5PU)
Participants for Matter 12 <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Copeland Borough Council 		
Wed 8 March 2023	9.30am Morning	Matter 19 Implementation and Viability (Policy DS5PU)
Participants for Matter 19 <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Copeland Borough Council <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chris Hoban • Leanne Parr • Luke Carroll • Jenny Adie (Keppie Massie) 		

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Home Builders Federation – Joanne Harding (id11) 3. Homes England (id81) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Craig Alsbury • Jonathon Behan • Rachel Pitt 		
Weds 8 th Mar	2.00pm Afternoon	Matter 20 Monitoring Closing Remarks
Participants for Matter 20		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Copeland Borough Council 		
Thurs 9 March 2023	All day	Reserve session

Examination Hearing Statements

Submitted hearing statements are available to view in the Examination Library here:

[Examination Hearing Statements](#)

The Council have also provided additional information to support their Hearing Statements. All documents may be found in the [Local Plan Examination Library](#).

Documents

All documents relating to the examination including the Draft Plan, submission documents, evidence documents and documents which have arisen during the Examination in Public may be found in the [Local Plan Examination Library](#) on the Council's website.

Participants

The Planning Inspectorate have produced a short guide to support participants taking part in an examination for the first time:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/taking-part-in-local-plan-examinations>

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