

Woking Core Strategy Examination

**Inspector Note to Woking BC Neighbouring LPA's re Localism Act
and 'The Duty to Cooperate between Councils**

As you may be aware, an examination is being held into the soundness of the Woking Core Strategy. As the appointed Inspector, I am conscious of the provisions of the Localism Act and what may be termed 'the duty to cooperate' between Councils.

With this in mind and particularly as regards the issue of housing supply in Woking and the sub region (with reference to the content of the South East Plan), I would like to invite you to send a representative to attend Hearing 4 to be held on 3rd April. I attach a copy of the relevant Matters and Issues which will be discussed and anticipate that this topic can be discussed under Matter 7 Issue 1; this will only take part of the morning session which is programmed to commence at 10.00. I am particularly interested to hear how your Council is approaching the issue of housing supply over the next 15 years, relative to demand, capacity and the evidence which underpins the South East Plan. This will aid me in gaining an understanding, focussed clearly upon Woking Borough's context, of how the subject of housing is being addressed and the 'duty' discharged.

I would be grateful if you could confirm the availability of a suitable representative with the programme officer, Mr Chris Banks.....