

Greater Norwich Local Plan Examination Inspectors Matters Issues and Questions (Part 1)

Wednesday 2 February: Matter 2 : Issue 2 : Housing Growth

Para 5: My earlier representation (ID:23338) refers.

While supporting The distribution of housing sites across the settlement hierarchy, there is significant concern in respect of the housing distribution within the Key Service Centre Towns with particular reference to Reepham.

GNDP Para 371 states that 3,679 homes will be distributed amongst these eleven Towns, yet Reepham is to receive NONE. This is due to a failure of the Broadland Local Plan Site Allocations DPD 2016 allocation of two housing sites REP2 (20 houses) and REP1 (100-120 houses) that have not materialised. The Broadland Local Plan Joint Core Strategy of 2014 guided development to 2026, therefore the GNLP is proposing no further allocations in Reepham because the existing allocations have not progressed (REP2 has been approved without any market housing and there are 3 planning applications connected with REP1 that are still unresolved after 2 years).

In this case the issue of the 2016 allocations in Reepham have prevented alternative allocations being considered for further development, due to there being 'high amounts of existing commitments', to 2036 despite REP1 and REP2 now being found not to be 'sound', positively prepared, or justified, nor effective. In this case the GNLP proposed allocation of 155 houses to 2036 should be reviewed to ensure Reepham satisfies the designation of a Key Service Centre

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