

FDC/Matter 10

FENLAND LOCAL PLAN CORE STRATEGY DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENT

EXAMINATION

FENLAND DISTRICT COUNCIL STATEMENT

MATTER 10: CHATTERIS

Fenland District Council
Fenland Hall
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Fenland District Council Statement in response to Matter 10: Chatteris

ISSUES and QUESTIONS

Q1 – Are the sites identified in Chatteris the most sustainable when considered against the reasonable alternatives and deliverable.

Yes, they are. The Sustainability Appraisal specifically part 2, CD004(b), provides further detail on the decision making criteria, including an assessment of the reasonable alternatives and deliverability.

Q2 – Is sufficient land incorporated for industrial/commercial expansion? Yes, there is.

Policy CS6 of the Core Strategy sets out the approximate target of 20ha of delivery of employment land in Chatteris to 2031. Land identified to meet this includes an extant planning permission for a mix of around 9ha of B-uses to the north west of the town and around 6.5ha at the South Chatteris Strategic Allocation. Further land for industrial and commercial expansion is expected to come forward as part of the North Chatteris Broad Location for growth later in the plan period. Intensification and extension of established employment areas, assessed through the criteria in CS6, will also contribute towards the overall total. This mix of sources is considered sufficient for industrial/commercial expansion, whilst being flexible enough to accommodate needs not anticipated in the plan and allowing a rapid response to changes in the economic climate.