

Westminster City Plan 2019-2040 Examination

Examination Hearings Matter 5 – Economy and Employment Policies 14-24

10.00am Monday 12 October 2020

Agenda

1. Policy 14

- a) Evidence on future jobs growth and need for floorspace?
- b) Delivering that jobs growth and floorspace and the role of the City Plan and the Site allocations DPD?
- c) Parts D and E - The approach to protection of existing floorspace
- d) Impact of changes to the Use Classes Order on the policy approach
- e) Modifications proposed by the Council including those in respect of changes to the Use Classes Order
- f) Use of conditions to control changes and appropriateness of such an approach
- g) Other concerns and the need for further modifications?

2. Policy 15

- a) Approach to the town centre hierarchy including boundaries
- b) Approach to new commercial development and changes of use – justification, consistency with London Plan and national policy
- c) Modifications proposed by the Council including those in respect of changes to the Use Classes Order
- d) Use of conditions to control changes and appropriateness of such an approach
- e) Other concerns and the need for further modifications?

3. Policy 16

- a) Approach to arts and cultural uses
- b) Approach to hotels and conference facilities including requiring extensions to be linked to upgrades
- c) Modifications proposed by the Council
- d) Other concerns and the need for further modifications?

4. Policy 17

- a) Approach to food and drink and entertainment uses including definition of “over-concentration”
- b) Part B – Protection of public houses – approach and flexibility
- c) Parts C-E – hot food takeaways and deliveries – approach including in relation to proximity to schools and relationship with London Plan
- d) Part F – Shisha smoking – justification and practical implementation given planning and other controls
- e) Modifications proposed by the Council including those in respect of changes to the Use Classes Order
- f) Other concerns and the need for further modifications?

5. Policy 18

- a) Overall approach to protection of community infrastructure and facilities

- b) Specific issue of sport and leisure facilities, playing pitches and fields – evidence base, position of Sport England and updates
- c) Modifications proposed by the Council including those in respect of changes to the Use Classes Order
- d) Other concerns and the need for further modifications?

6. Policy 19

- a) Part B – reference to purpose-built student housing and higher education institutions in Westminster (noting earlier discussion on Policy 11)
- b) Part D- justification for approach and clarity on contributions sought
- c) Modifications proposed by the Council
- d) Other concerns and the need for further modifications?

7. Policy 20

- a) Justification for policy approach and consistency with national policy

8. Policy 21

- a) Background and justification for policy approach
- b) Practical implementation of policy including i) judgements regarding the effects of development on scale and grain of built environment, character of area and mix of uses and ii) references to type of occupier rather than use class
- c) Modifications proposed by the Council including those in respect of changes to the Use Classes Order
- d) Other concerns and the need for further modifications?

9. Policy 22

- a) Background and justification for policy approach
- b) Practical implementation of policy including judgements regarding the effects of development on the character and status of the areas
- c) Modifications proposed by the Council including those in respect of changes to the Use Classes Order
- d) Use of conditions to control changes and appropriateness of such an approach
- e) Other concerns and the need for further modifications?

10. Policy 23

- a) Background and justification for policy approach
- b) Practical implementation of policy including judgements regarding the effects of development on the character and function of the area
- c) Modifications proposed by the Council including those in respect of changes to the Use Classes Order
- d) Use of conditions to control changes and appropriateness of such an approach
- e) Other concerns and the need for further modifications?

11. Policy 24

- a) Background and justification for policy approach
- b) Practical implementation of policy including judgements regarding the effects of development on the role, character and function of the area
- c) Modifications proposed by the Council including those in respect of changes to the Use Classes Order
- d) Other concerns and the need for further modifications?