

Monmouthshire Replacement Local Development Plan 2018-2033
EXAMINATION

AGENDA

for

Hearing Session 7 on Tuesday 29th September 2026 commencing at 10.00am

Virtual Hearing

Climate Change, Green Infrastructure, Landscape and Nature Recovery

Issue – Does the Plan provide a framework for the management of climate change, green infrastructure, landscape and nature recovery that is soundly based, justified and consistent with the requirements of national policy?

Policies included in this Hearing Session [Draft Hearings Programme (Revision G)]:

- Strategic Policy S4 – Climate Change
- Policy NZ1 – Monmouthshire Net Zero Carbon Homes
- Policy CC1 - Sustainable Drainage Systems
- Policy CC3 - Renewable Energy Generation
- Policy S5 - Green Infrastructure, Landscape and Nature Recovery
- Policy GI1 - Green Infrastructure
- Policy GI2 - Trees, Woodland & Hedgerows
- Policy LC1 - Landscape Character
- Policy LC3 - Bannau Brycheiniog National Park
- Policy LC4 - Wye Valley National Landscape (AONB)
- Policy LC5 - Dark Skies and Lighting
- Policy NR1 - Nature Recovery and Geodiversity
- Policy NR2 - Severn Estuary Recreational Reserve
- Policy NR3 - Protection of Water Sources and the Water Environment
- Policy PROW1 - Public Rights of Way

1. Introduction

2. Matters:

a. Strategic Policy S4 – Climate Change

- i. Response to Q53 of Inspectors' Further Questions (ED25) in Edenstone Home's Further Statement M7/10a

b. Policy NZ1 – Monmouthshire Net Zero Carbon Homes

- i. Response to Q55 of Inspectors' Further Questions (ED25) in Council's Further Statement M7/1d

- ii. Response to Q56 of Inspectors' Further Questions (ED25) in Council's Further Statement M7/1d
- iii. Response to Q57 of Inspectors' Further Questions (ED25) in Council's Further Statement M7/1d
- iv. Response to Q58 of Inspectors' Further Questions (ED25) in Council's Further Statement M7/1d
- v. Response to Q59 of Inspectors' Further Questions (ED25) in Council's Further Statement M7/1d
- vi. Response to Q60 of Inspectors' Further Questions (ED25) in Council's Further Statement M7/1d
- vii. Response to Q61 of Inspectors' Further Questions (ED25) in Council's Further Statement M7/1d
- viii. Response to Q61 of Inspectors' Further Questions (ED25) in HBF's Further Statement M7/2a
- ix. Response to Q62 of Inspectors' Further Questions (ED25) in Council's Further Statement M7/1d
- x. Response to Q63 of Inspectors' Further Questions (ED25) in Council's Further Statement M7/1d
- xi. Response to Q64 of Inspectors' Further Questions (ED25) in Council's Further Statement M7/1d
- xii. Response to Q65 of Inspectors' Further Questions (ED25) in Council's Further Statement M7/1d
- xiii. Response to Q66 of Inspectors' Further Questions (ED25) in Council's Further Statement M7/1d
- xiv. Response to Q67 of Inspectors' Further Questions (ED25) in Council's Further Statement M7/1d
- xv. Response to Q67 of Inspectors' Further Questions (ED25) in Taylor Wimpey's Further Statement M7/3a

c. Policy CC1 - Sustainable Drainage Systems

- i. Response to Q68 of Inspectors' Further Questions (ED25) in Council's Further Statement M7/1d

d. Policy CC3 - Renewable Energy Generation

e. Policy S5 - Green Infrastructure, Landscape and Nature Recovery

- i. Response to Q70 of Inspectors' Further Questions (ED25) in Council's Further Statement M7/1d
- ii. Response to Q70 of Inspectors' Further Questions (ED25) in Edenstone Homes Further Statement M7/10a

f. Policy GI1 - Green Infrastructure

g. Policy GI2 - Trees, Woodland & Hedgerows

h. Policy LC1 - Landscape Character

i. Policy LC3 - Bannau Brycheiniog National Park

- j. Policy LC4 - Wye Valley National Landscape (AONB)
- k. Policy LC5 - Dark Skies and Lighting
- l. Policy NR1 - Nature Recovery and Geodiversity

m. Policy NR2 - Severn Estuary Recreational Reserve

- i. Update from Council on development of the Recreation Mitigation Strategy
- ii. Where has the costs of compliance with Policy NR2 and the associated Recreation Mitigation Strategy been taken account of in Council's evidence base?

n. Policy NR3 - Protection of Water Sources and the Water Environment

- i. Changes to policy wording to be submitted by Council on or before 25 September 2026 in response to Action Points AP1/12 & AP/13 (ED38).
- ii. Any consequential changes to supporting/explanatory text to be submitted by Council on or before 24 September 2026 in response to Action Point AP1/14 (ED38).

o. Policy PROW1 - Public Rights of Way

p. Proposed amendments

- i. Save for Policy NR3, proposed amendments in Updated Deposit RLDP Schedule of Proposed Changes (August 2026) [ED39] relevant to the above policies, explanatory text or monitoring indicators.
- ii. Response to Q73 of Inspectors' Further Questions (ED25) in Edenstone Homes' Further Statement M7/10a

3. Closing

Action Point(s) Discussion

