

**Examination of the Partial Review of the Kensington and Chelsea Core Strategy: Basements Planning Policy**

**Agenda for 10.00 Wednesday 17 September 2014**

**DAY 2 - Matter 4 & Matter 5**

**Small Hall, Kensington and Chelsea Town Hall, Horton Street W8 7NX**

*Discussions will focus on whether the Basements Planning Policy is sound (positively prepared, justified, effective, and consistent with national policy) and, if not, how it should be modified to make it sound*

**Opening Announcements**

- Health and safety, people present, and attendance list
- Purpose of the hearing sessions
- Conduct of the hearing session
- Inspector's report

**Consideration of any site visits**

- Any suggestions?

**Council's Responses to Inspector's Preliminary Questions**

- Any queries?

**Matter 4: Restriction on the use of garden/open area**

4.1 *Is CL7 a. justified, consistent with national policy, and effective?*

- Key reasons for criterion CL7 a.? – Council and then others
- Are each of the reasons justified? In the ABA report (BAS30) is it correct to say that between 25% and 50% of the garden is sufficient to drain surface water when the subsoil is clay ('rule of thumb')? Are the report's conclusions right in 13.3.5? – Basement Force and then others
- Is the carbon footprint/emissions reason justified? If not, would the Policy fall? - Council, then Cranbrook Basements and then others
- Can the aims/reasons be achieved or satisfied in another way?
- Why is CL2 g. iii. in the adopted CS not adequate to deal with the issues?
- Should the criterion contain an exception clause to cater for differing circumstances?

**Matter 5: One storey restriction**

5.1 *Is CL7 b. and c. justified, consistent with national policy, and effective?*

- Key reasons for criterion CL7 b. and c.? – Council and then others
- Are each of the reasons justified? – Savills and then others
- Is the restriction too limiting?

- Is the restriction too lax?
- Can the aims/reasons be achieved or satisfied in another way?
- Should the criteria contain an exception clause to cater for differing circumstances?

**Any Other Matters**

- Any other points representors wish to make