

Statement of Common Ground update for NWLDC Local Plan Partial Review Examination, as requested by the Inspector.

Leicester's Draft Local Plan consultation indicates a potential unmet need of 7,742 homes and 23 Hectares of employment land 2019 to 2036. The authorities in Leicester & Leicestershire have been progressing work on a Sustainability Appraisal to assess options for where this unmet need could be appropriately distributed across Leicester & Leicestershire. This will inform a Statement of Common Ground setting out how any unmet need from Leicester will be distributed amongst the HMA authorities, which is intended for completion in early 2021.

The Sustainability Appraisal is anticipated to be completed by the end of the calendar year (2020) and will test reasonable alternatives, including different scales of unmet need and spatial options. The associated Statement of Common Ground is intended to go through individual authorities' governance processes in early 2021 (note: the precise timing may vary between authorities depending on their individual processes and timing of meetings etc.).

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