



# The Cabinet Office

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## **Public Notice**

### **The Town and Country Planning Act 1999**

### **Area Plan for the East**

### **Pre-Inquiry Meeting and Public Inquiry**

Following the publication of the Draft Area Plan for the East in May 2018, Cabinet Office has arranged for there to be a Public Inquiry in accordance with paragraph 4 of schedule 1 to the Town and Country Planning Act 1999. The Inquiry will be administered by the Executive Office in Cabinet Office. The person appointed to conduct the Inquiry supports the holding of a pre-inquiry meeting. This announcement serves as advance notice of the pre-inquiry meeting and thus only sets out the key dates for both the pre-inquiry and the Inquiry proper. A further public notice will be issued (it is the Department's intention to release this by the end of June 2019) with specific times and location details, as well as information relating to the Department's response to the consultation on the Draft Plan.

#### **Pre-Inquiry Meeting**

A pre-inquiry meeting will be held in Douglas, Isle of Man, on **Thursday 18th July 2019**.

Notes: The pre-inquiry meeting is not arranged to discuss the merits of the proposals contained within the Draft Area Plan for the East but to:

1. outline the procedures to be followed at the Inquiry;
2. discuss the programme for evidence, and how this evidence is to be presented at the Inquiry;
3. facilitate the submission and exchange of any additional professional and technical evidence in advance of the Inquiry; and,
4. to encourage those with common cause to consider working together to present their case.

All members of the public and interested parties are welcome to attend the pre-inquiry meeting.

#### **Public Inquiry**

The Public Inquiry into the Area Plan for the East has been provisionally set to begin in the week commencing 9th September 2019 and is likely to last in the region of three weeks. Additional time may be set aside as a contingency if required. Precise details of the start date, where the Inquiry will be held and the general running order will be published in due course.

All members of the public and interested parties are welcome to attend the Public Inquiry.

**Will Greenhow, Chief Secretary**