

TOPIC 2: A Place of Economic Prosperity – Matters Arising – Question 6

(IE Session: 05 May 2022)

(1) **Question 6:**

Suggested Minor Change to Policy DM 7.2

To supersede original change (Typographical Error: DM 7.2 delete 'other') page 89 & Change No. 16, page 95/96 of Draft Plan Strategy Public Consultation Report.

DM 7.2:

"Proposals for retail use and other main town centre uses ~~which generate significant footfall in other~~ out of centre locations will only be acceptable where, having regard to the expected catchment of the development, all of the following criteria are demonstrated:

- (a) All ~~town~~ centre **and** edge of ~~town-centre-and other commercial identified centre~~ options have been assessed and discounted as unsuitable, unviable or unavailable. Where there are multiple centres within the defined catchment area, the order of preference should be to develop in the higher order centre;
- (b) The scale of development proposed is appropriate to its location, and it has been shown that the proposal cannot reasonably be altered or reduced in scale to allow it to be accommodated at a sequentially preferable location;
- (c) There will be no significant individual or cumulative adverse effect on the vitality and viability of existing ~~town~~ centres within the catchment;
- (d) The proposal will help to meet qualitative or quantitative deficiencies; and
- (e) The site can be easily accessed by a range of transport modes."