

ISLE OF WIGHT
ISLAND PLANNING STRATEGY EXAMINATION

Matter 8: Economic Growth

HEARING AGENDA

Tuesday 25 February 2025, 2pm

1. Matter 8: Issue 1 – Soundness of the Proposed Allocations
 - a) Soundness of EA3 Somerton Farm, Cowes – does the current consideration and dialogue on the outline planning application indicate a need for any modifications to the policy wording re. any agent of change principles for the nearby BAE Radar site?
 - b) Justification for including EA5 Lowtherville, Ventnor
 - c) Justification and effectiveness of Policy EA6, Sandown Airport
 - d) Proposed Modification to Policy E1 – in Council’s response to MIQ8.2

2. Matter 8: Issue 2 – Policy framework for supporting a diverse economy
 - a) Approach to existing employment areas and resisting loss of employment land/spaces
 - b) Justification and implementation of Policy E3 (Upskilling)
 - c) Proposed modifications in Core Document 7 to Policies E7 and E11

3. Matter 8: Issue 3 – The Rural Economy
 - a) Soundness of the overall approach
 - b) Proposed modifications to Policy E4 (MIQ8.10)

4. Matter 8: Issue 5 – Tourism
 - a) The effectiveness of the policy framework (Policies E8 and E9) in supporting sustainable tourism development in terms of the balance between securing the economic benefits versus protecting the inherent qualities that attract visitors to the island.
 - b) Approach to core tourist accommodation areas (MIQ8.16)
 - c) Approach to short term let holiday accommodation – Policy E9

5. Matter 8: Issue 4 – Centres and Retail
 - a) Proposed modification to Policy E7 – in Council’s response to MIQ8.12

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