

Examination of the Part 2 Local Plan for Corby

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Note from Inspector

CHANGES TO THE USE CLASSES ORDER – ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS FOR MATTERS 8, 9 and 11

Introduction

On 21 July, the Government published The Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2020. This comes into force on 1 September 2020.

Use classes A, B and D will be revoked. A new class E (commercial, business, and service) will be created. This incorporates A1 (shops), A2 (financial and professional services), A3 (restaurants and cafes) and B1 (business), along with uses for indoor sport, recreation or fitness, or for the provision of medical or health service or for a crèche, day nursery or day centre, where principally to visiting members of the public.

New class F.1 (learning and non-residential institutions) will include uses for education, museums, libraries, places of worship and law courts. New class F.2 (local community) will include shops mostly selling essential goods, including food, to visiting members of the public (in certain circumstances), local community meeting halls and places for outdoor sport and recreation.

The list of uses not included in any class is expanded to include uses formerly in A4 (drinking establishments) and A5 (hot food takeaways), and some uses formerly in D1 and D2 including cinemas and venues for live music performance.

Matters, Issues and Questions

Matter 8 – Delivering Economic Prosperity

10. Do Policies 8, 9 and 10, or the associated reasoned justification, need to be modified to reflect the changes to the Use Classes Order that will come into effect on 1 September 2020?

Matter 9 Town Centres and Town Centre Uses

6a. Does Policy 20, or the associated reasoned justification, need to be modified to reflect the changes to the Use Classes Order that will come into effect on 1 September 2020?

7a. Does Policy 21, or the associated reasoned justification, need to be modified to reflect the changes to the Use Classes Order that will come into effect on 1 September 2020?

Matter 11 Other Policies, Implementation and Monitoring

4. Does Table 11, Monitoring Framework, or the associated reasoned justification, need to be modified to reflect the changes to the Use Classes Order that will come into effect on 1 September 2020?

5. Do any other parts of the Plan need to be modified to reflect the changes to the Use Classes Order that will come into effect on 1 September 2020?

Written Statements

Responses to the additional questions should be included in written statements for the relevant matters, which must be received by the Programme Officer by the deadline stated in my Guidance Note, Thursday 3 September 2020.

Please direct any questions to Ian Kemp, the Programme Officer.

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INSPECTOR

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