

Mr G Raistrick's response to the Darlington Local Plan Examination
Inspector's Matter, Issues and Questions

Hedley Planning Services are instructed by Mr G Raistrick in support of Land at Heighcroft House, Heighington. Mr Raistrick's land is in single ownership and has not been considered either in the Darlington Housing and Employment Land Availability Assessment (HELAA, March 2018) or in the Heighington and Middleton St George - Draft Spatial Plan Consultation (December 2017).

Matter 5

Meeting particular housing needs

Q5.1. Is the Council's proposed modification to the opening paragraph of policy H4 necessary to make the Plan sound and, if so, would it be effective in so doing?

The proposed modification makes policy H4 more flexible and workable in practice and is therefore supported by Mr Raistrick.

Q5.2. – Q5.6.

No Comment

Q5.7. Are the Council's proposed modifications to policy H7 necessary to make the Plan sound and, if so, would they be effective in so doing?

In order to ensure both a five year housing supply and to make Policy H1 more effective in providing sustainable edge of settlement sites when the Council is unable to demonstrate a five year supply, a further modification to refence this should be made in Policy H7 to ensure both policies work together rather than against each other in a scenario where the provision is enacted.

Q5.8. Are the Council's proposed modifications to policy H8 necessary to make the Plan sound and, if so, would they be effective in so doing?

No Comment