

**Examination of East Northamptonshire Rural North, Oundle and Thrapston Plan (DPD).**

Hearing Agenda – Site-specific settlement boundary issues

*Change H004(7) - Paragraph 4.4 – Criteria for definition of settlement boundaries*

*Changes to boundaries as shown on submission proposals map (PM)*

The purpose of the supplementary hearing is to consider only whether the further change to the submitted DPD, as contained in the Council's Schedule of Proposed Changes dated 13 February 2009, would, if made, remedy an element of unsoundness identified during the earlier part of the examination in October 2008. I do not wish to hear any new evidence which is not directly related to the change or to go over ground already covered at the earlier hearings.

The issues relating to boundary definition in the different villages are the same. They are:-

Are the criteria included in H004(7) sound? If not, why not and what would make them sound?

Have the criteria been correctly applied in drawing the settlement boundary (ies)? If not, against which criterion has there been an inconsistency?

For any specific site or area, in what way would including the land within the settlement boundary be compliant with the published criteria?

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