



The Planning Inspectorate

MAN Energy Solutions UK Limited: Mirrlees Fields

Draft Inquiry Timetable - Appeal 3325351

WEEK ONE

Day 1 Tuesday 31 October 2023

Opening Statements

10.00	Inspector's Opening Statement and housekeeping (45 mins)	
10.45	Appellant's Opening Statement (Man Energy Solutions) (15-30 mins)	Giles Cannock KC
11.15	Break	
11.35	Council's Opening Statement (15-30 mins)	John Hunter
12.05	Rule 6 Party's Opening Statement (Protect Mirrlees Fields from Development (PMFD) (15 mins)	

Interested Parties:

12.20	Mary Robinson MP (15mins)	
12.35	Mr Pollard (15 mins)	
12.50	Lunch	

ECOLOGY

Rule 6 Party - PMFD

1.50	Evidence in Chief: (30 mins)	Malcolm Ranson
2.20	Cross-examination (45 mins)	Giles Cannock KC
3.05	Inspectors Questions (5 mins)	
3.10	Re-examination by Rule 6 Party (10 mins)	
3.20	Break	

Appellant (ecology)

3.40	Evidence in Chief (30 mins)	Jeremy James
4.10	Cross-Examination (40 mins) (Rule 6 Party)	

4.50	Interested party's questions (5 mins)	
4.55	Inspector's questions (5 mins)	
5.00	Re-examination by Appellant's advocate (15 mins)	Giles Cannock KC
5.15	ADJOURN	

Day 2 Wednesday 1 November 2023

09.30	Inspector's opening/procedural and housekeeping matters	
	ARBORICULTURE	
	Rule 6 Party – PMFD	
09.45	Evidence in Chief (30 mins)	Dominic Wells
10.15	Cross-Examination by Appellant's advocate (30 mins)	Giles Cannock KC
10.45	Inspector's Questions (5 mins)	
10.50	Re-examination by Rule 6 party (10 mins)	
11.00	BREAK	
	Appellant (Arboriculture)	
11.20	Evidence in Chief (30 mins)	Jack Jewell
11.50	Cross-Examination by Rule 6 Party (20 mins)	
12.10	Interested parties questions (5 mins)	
12.15	Inspector's Questions (5 mins)	
12.20	Re-examination by appellant's advocate (15 mins)	Giles Cannock KC
12.35	Lunch	
	PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY	
	Rule 6 Party – PMFD	
1.45	Evidence in Chief (20 mins)	David Gosling
2.05	Cross-Examination by Appellant's advocate (15 mins)	Giles Cannock KC
2.20	Inspectors Questions (5 mins)	
2.25	Re-examination by Rule 6 Party (10 mins)	

MENTAL HEALTH

Rule 6 Party – PMFD

Elaine Leonard

2.35 Evidence in Chief (20 mins)

2.55 Cross-Examination by Appellant’s advocate (15 mins)

Giles Cannock KC

3.10 Inspector’s Questions (5 mins)

3.15 Re-examination by Rule 6 party (10 mins)

3.25 **BREAK**

STRENGTH OF PUBLIC FEELING

Rule 6 Party – PMFD

3.45 Evidence in chief (20 mins)

Dr Tara Hughes

4.05 Cross-examination by appellant’s advocate (15 mins)

Giles Cannock KC

4.20 Inspector’s questions (5 mins)

4.25 Re-examination by Rule 6 Party (10 mins)

4.35 **ADJOURN**

Day 3 Thursday 2 November 2023

09.30 Inspector’s opening/procedural and housekeeping matters

MAIN ISSUE 1: OPEN SPACE

Council’s Witness

Carl Griffiths

09:40 Evidence in Chief (45 mins)

10.25 **BREAK**

10.45 Cross-Examination by appellant’s advocate (2.5 hrs)

Giles Cannock KC

12.00 **LUNCH**

1.00 Continued Cross-Examination by appellant’s advocate

2.15 Inspector’s Questions (10 mins)

2.25 Re-examination by Council’s advocate (15 mins)

John Hunter

2.40 **BREAK**

3.00 **ADJOURN**

WEEK TWO

Day 4 Tuesday 7 November 2023

09.30 Inspector's opening/procedural and housekeeping matters

MAIN ISSUE 1: OPEN SPACE continued

Appellant's Witness

Andrew Cook

09:40 Examination in Chief (45 mins)

10.25 **BREAK**

10.45 Cross-Examination by Council's advocate (2.5 hrs)

John Hunter

12.00 **LUNCH**

1.00 Continued Cross-Examination by Council's advocate

2.15 Rule 6 party Cross-Examination (30 mins)

2.45 Interested party questions (10 mins)

2.55 Inspectors Questions (10 mins)

3.05 **BREAK**

3.25 Re-examination by Appellant's advocate (15 mins)

Giles Cannock KC

3.45 **ADJOURN**

Day 5 Wednesday 8 November 2023

MAIN ISSUE 2: THE SUPPLY OF HOUSING LAND

09.30	Inspector's opening/procedural and housekeeping matters		
09.40	Housing Land Supply Round Table Session (Agenda to be circulated) (2.5 hrs)	Steve Johnson (SMBC) Ben Pycroft (MAN)	
11.00	BREAK		
11.20	Housing Land Supply Round Table Session continued (nb this may finish earlier)		
1.00	LUNCH		
	AFFORDABLE HOUSING		
	Appellant's witness		Neil Tatton
2.00	Evidence in Chief (45 mins)		
2.45	BREAK		
3.05	Cross-examination by Council's advocate (1 hr)		John Hunter
4.05	Interested party questions (5 mins)		
4.10	Inspectors Questions (5 mins)		
4.15	Re-examination by Appellant's advocate (15mins)		Giles Cannock KC
4.30	ADJOURN		

Day 6 Thursday 9 November 2023

09.30	Inspector's opening/procedural and housekeeping matters		
	MAIN ISSUE 3: PLANNING BALANCE		
	Council's Witness		Carl Griffiths
09.40	Evidence in Chief (45 mins)		
10.25	BREAK		
10.45	Cross-Examination by appellant's advocate (2.5 hrs)		Giles Cannock KC
12.00	LUNCH		
1.00	Continued Cross-Examination by appellant's advocate		

2.15	Inspector's questions (10 mins)	
2.25	Re-examination by Council's advocate (15 mins)	John Hunter
2.40	BREAK	
3.00	Conditions	
5.00	ADJOURN (no later than)	

Day 7 Friday 10 November 2023

09.30 Inspector's opening/procedural and housekeeping matters

MAIN ISSUE 3: PLANNING BALANCE continued

	Appellant's Witness	John Suckley
09:40	Evidence in Chief (45 mins)	
10.25	BREAK	
10.45	Cross-Examination by Council's advocate	John Hunter
12.00	LUNCH	
1.00	Continued Cross-examination by Council's advocate	
2.15	Interested party's questions (10 mins)	
2.25	Inspector's questions (10 mins)	
2.35	Re-examination by Appellant's advocate (15 mins)	Giles Cannock KC
2.50	BREAK	
3.10	Section 106 Obligation?	
5.00	ADJOURN (no later than)	

WEEK THREE

Option 1

Day 8 Tuesday 14 November 2023

09:30	Inspector's Opening	
09:40	106 OBLIGATION	
10.45	BREAK	
11.30	SITE VISIT (Nb the inspector is still awaiting the site visit itinerary)	
	CLOSING SUBMISSIONS	
2.00	Rule 6 Party Closing Submissions (30 mins)	
2.30	Council's Closing Submissions(30-45 mins)	John Hunter
3.15	BREAK	
3.35	Appellant's Closing Submissions (1 hr)	Giles Cannock KC
4.35	Final procedural matters	
4.45	Inspector's closing comments	
5.00	CLOSE of INQUIRY	

Option 2 (if 106 considered on 10 Nov)

09.30/10.00	Meet on site	
12.00	Lunch	
1.00	CLOSING SUBMISSIONS	
1.00	Rule 6 Party Closing Submissions (30 mins)	
1.30	Council's Closing Submissions(30-45 mins)	John Hunter
2.15	BREAK	
2.35	Appellant's Closing Submissions (1 hr)	Giles Cannock KC
3.35	Final procedural matters	
3.45	Inspector's closing comments	
4.00	CLOSE of INQUIRY	