

# **Northumberland National Park Local Plan Examination Hearings**

## **Matter 1 – Procedural/legal requirements**

### **AGENDA**

#### **1. Overview of plan preparation stages**

- Stages/key dates
- Compliance with requirements in terms of notifications, publication and availability of documents and consultation

#### **2. Sustainability Appraisal (SA)**

- Stages of SA and how they have informed the plan preparation process and been reported
- Options considered
  - What options were considered and when? – strategy and policies
  - How were they assessed and what was the outcome?

#### **3. Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA)**

- Overview of methodology and stages of HRA
- Relevant European sites and potential impacts considered
- Approach to screening out of potential impacts and issue of mitigation
- Conclusions of HRA
- Comments/representations and view of Natural England
- Revised version in response to Inspector questions – key changes

#### **4. Other matters**

- Mitigation and adaptation to climate change – how addressed
- Other specific matters in S19 of Act and Regulation 10
- Issues of equality – how addressed