

Planning Act 2008 – section 93

Application by Four Ashes Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the West Midlands Strategic Rail Freight Interchange (Case Ref. TR050005)

Agenda for Open Floor Hearings

The Examining Authority (ExA) notified Interested Parties in its letter dated 23 January 2019 of the decision to hold Open Floor Hearings on the following dates:

Hearing	Date and time	Location
Open Floor Hearing 1	27 February 2019, seating available from 1:30pm, the hearing will start at 2:00pm	Hayward Suite, Molineux Stadium, Waterloo Road, Wolverhampton, WV1 4QR
Open Floor Hearing 2	27 February 2019, seating available from 5:30pm, the hearing will start at 6:00pm	

Participation, conduct and management of hearings

At an Open Floor Hearing, each Interested Party is entitled (subject to the ExA's powers of control over the conduct of the hearing) to make oral representations about the application.

The ExA may request those who wish to speak on the same topic to select one person to put forward their views.

If on the day there are other individuals present who wish to make submissions that have not already been made it will be open to the ExA to use its discretion to hear any relevant submissions from those present should time permit.

It would also assist the ExA if copies of any written summaries of the cases put orally are submitted to the Planning Inspectorate by Deadline 1 of the Examination Timetable.

Please note that the following agenda is indicative and may be amended by the ExA at the start of the hearing session.

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AGENDA FOR EACH SESSION

Item	Matters
1.	Welcome, introductions and arrangements for the hearing
2.	Purpose of the Open Floor Hearing
3.	Confirmation of those who have notified the Examining Authority (ExA) of a wish to be heard at the Open Floor Hearing
4.	Oral submissions from Interested Parties Each Interested Party who has indicated a wish to speak will be invited forward in turn to speak at a table set up in front of the ExA. Following each submission the ExA may wish to ask the speaker questions. The Applicant is likely to be requested to briefly respond to any matters raised by each of the Interested Parties or in summary at the close of each Open Floor Hearing. Oral submissions should be based on representations previously made in writing by the particular participant. However, representations made at the hearing should not simply repeat matters previously covered in a written submission, but rather provide further detail, explanation and evidential corroboration to help inform the ExA.
5.	Close of the open floor hearing