



**TRAFFORD
COUNCIL**

**Request for Further Consideration of the
Core Strategy Vision in Response to
MMIQ 1.8 & MMIQ 2.1(ii)**

4th March 2011

Introduction

At the second Hearing session of the Trafford Core Strategy Examination the Inspector considered that the Council may also wish to submit to the Examination a change that amends the Core Strategy vision to more explicitly reflect the economic aspirations of the Sustainable Community Strategy, in response to MMIQ2.1(ii).

Council's Response

The Council considers that the Core Strategy could be altered as suggested below to make the economic objectives of the Sustainable Community Strategy (CD 7.1.3) more explicitly expressed in the Core Strategy. In particular, the suggested changes bring in elements of the Strong Economy Vision and the Place Priority Outcomes SE4 and SE5 of the Sustainable Community Strategy. It is considered that these changes would also address some of the concerns expressed by RLAM in their response to MM2.1(ii) (CD 12.36.2).

Suggested Changes S300.03 as detailed in the Schedule of Proposed Changes (CD 12.4).

BY 2026:

Trafford will have vibrant and inclusive, prosperous and well designed sustainable communities, served by an integrated transport network offering a choice of modes of travel. [Trafford will have a high performing economy that makes a significant contribution to the North West Region and Greater Manchester City Region by continuing to attract and retain internationally competitive businesses, maintaining a strong local business base and positioning itself as a centre for enterprise.](#)

The historic, built and natural environment, including the Green Belt, will be preserved, protected and enhanced.

The focus for economic and housing growth will be within the urban area, primarily in the north east of the Borough and the principal town centre (Altrincham). The following 5 Strategic Locations are identified as areas for change:

- Pomona Island (SL1);
- Trafford Wharfside (SL2);
- Lancashire County Cricket Club Quarter (SL3);
- Trafford Centre Rectangle (SL4), and,
- Carrington (SL5).

To achieve this Vision:

- Attractive, sustainable communities, with good access to jobs, services and green infrastructure/multi functional green space will be established across Trafford with a range of housing types and tenures (including affordable housing);
- Inequalities will be reduced in all of our most deprived areas, with the main focus for regeneration being in the Priority Regeneration Areas of Old Trafford, Partington and Sale West;
- The established retail hierarchy will be maintained and the four town centres will be strengthened to remain the focus for retail, commercial and community facilities, and;
- High quality industrial and commercial premises for existing, new and expanding businesses and major relocations will be available in well-served locations such as Trafford Park ~~Core~~ and other employment areas ~~will be maintained and strengthened as a key place to work~~, to support ~~both~~ the local, and City Region and Regional economies.