

# **Additional Hearing Session**

**Action Point 3**

**July 2023**

**Note explaining St Helens Local Plan position regarding employment land requirement and supply (Tables 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3 particularly in relation to Parkside East and the SRFI)**

The Parkside East allocation has a gross site area of 124.55ha. Of this, at least 60ha is specifically allocated for a Strategic Rail Freight Interchange (SRFI) and is therefore not included in the general employment land supply. The remaining 64.55ha on the site is counted towards the employment land supply and is included in Table 4.1.

The 65ha allowance referred to in Table 4.3 is due to the anticipated extra demand in St Helens Borough, over and above baseline needs, as a result of major infrastructure projects, specifically Liverpool Superport and Parkside SRFI. The 65ha allowance is completely separate to the minimum 60ha of land identified for the SRFI and the remaining employment land within the Parkside East allocation (ie. 64.55ha).

Similarly, Table 4.2 takes into account the increased demand for employment land in St Helens Borough as a consequence of Liverpool Super Port and the SRFI.

The wording of this note has been agreed as accurate with St Helens' Officers.