## Rossendale Local Plan Examination MATTERS, ISSUES AND QUESTIONS (MIQs)

## **Hearing Statement of Richard W. Lester**

## Matter 5 – Employment need and supply

Issue - Does the Plan set out a positively prepared strategy for the delivery of employment development and jobs, which is justified, effective and consistent with national policy?

[Policies EMP1 – EMP5]

NOTE: I have assisted Mr Alan G. Ashworth in the preparation of his Hearing Statement and Appendices for Matter 5. I have read these and confirm that I agree with and endorse their content. With a view to avoiding duplication of paperwork, I respectfully request that they be treated as if both Mr Ashworth and I had submitted them separately.

**Suggested revision** (in addition to those suggested in the Hearing Statement): the figure in Strategic Policy EMP1 should be changed from 27 to 10.72.

Richard W. Lester

29th August 2019