

SOUTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL
EXAMINATION OF CORE STRATEGY PARTIAL REVIEW (PR) AND
THE CITY CENTRE ACTION PLAN (CCAP)

AGENDA

ISSUE TWO:

**WHETHER THE RETAIL PROVISION IN THE PR AND THE CCAP IS
JUSTIFIED, EFFECTIVE AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH NATIONAL
POLICY**

- Whether the evidence base supports the proposed comparison floorspace requirement of 100,000 m²
- Whether the CCAP sufficiently recognises the importance of the car in terms of the attractiveness of the city centre as a major shopping destination and regional centre for growth.
- Whether the CCAP make it sufficiently clear which key sites would meet the scale and type of retail development necessary to ensure that the required retail growth is achieved over the plan period
- Whether the approach to the expansion of the PSA is justified, complies with the “town centre first” approach in national policy, would it be effective in helping deliver the necessary comparison goods floorspace over the plan period and would ensure that significant adverse impacts on the existing PSA are avoided
- Whether the Area of Search for the PSA expansion clearly identified and appropriate to ensure effectively integrated new retail development
- Whether proposals for retail development in the extended PSA should be subject to sequential, impact and need assessments
- Whether the approach to convenience retail development in the PSA is justified and conforms with national policy
- Whether Policy AP 5 includes sufficient flexibility to ensure a wider complementary offer so that the PSA retains its vitality and viability over the longer term