

**SOUTH SHROPSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**APPEAL BY BISHOP'S CASTLE BIOMASS POWER LIMITED**

**LAND BISHOP'S CASTLE BUSINESS PARK**

**PUBLIC INQUIRY STARTING ON 3 MARCH 2009**

**PROOF OF EVIDENCE**

**James Caird, BA, BArch, RIBA, MRTPI, IHBC**

**Appeal reference: APP/K3225/A/08/2086011**

**LPA reference: 1/08/20502/F**

## **INTRODUCTION**

- 1** My name is James Caird. I am a Chartered Architect, a corporate member of the Royal Town Planning Institute, and a member of the Institute of Historic Building Conservation. I have 35 years' experience of architectural and planning practice. From 1985 to 2006 I was Head of Planning for South Shropshire District Council. I now practice as a sole practitioner architectural and planning consultant.
- 2** I have undertaken the preparation of 6 Local Plans, and have been involved in the evolution of strategic policy, including representing LPA interests at Local Plan Inquiries and Examinations in Public. I am familiar with the RSS and Local Plan policy relevant to the proposal. I have wide experience of Development Management including appearing as witness for the Council at many public local inquiries and hearings.
- 3** I am familiar with Bishop's Castle and the proposed site in particular.

## **THE COUNCIL'S CASE**

- 4** The Council does not wish to present any evidence to the Inquiry save on the matter of conditions to be applied to any consent that may be granted.
- 5** The Council's preferred conditions were included in its addition statement dated January 2009 and submitted on ?? January 2009.
- 6** It is intended that a Statement of Common Ground will be submitted to the Inquiry. The appellants have suggested minor amendments to the Council's preferred conditions. The Council accepts these amendments with the following exceptions:
  - XXX
  - XXX

James Caird  
2 February 2009