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## Ravenside Retail and Leisure Park

### Client

Land Securities

### Location

Hastings

### Services Provided

Planning

### Date of Completion

### Key Issues



CgMs successfully won an appeal against the Council's refusal for an extension to the existing Retail Park.

The scheme for an additional 3,000m<sup>2</sup> of retail warehousing involves the re-development of existing employment land and the relocation of the existing industrial firm, Drallim Industries, to new premises in nearby Hastings.



The Inspector's decision is a victory for pragmatism in which he described the issues as "a real-life balancing exercise which takes account of breaches of planning policy and looks for positive results that would equal or exceed any drawbacks".

The Inspector's decision considered retail need, the sequential test, loss of employment land, loss of existing housing, and sustainability issues and concluded overall that the benefits outweighed any breach of planning policy.

CgMs Planning Consultants advised on both planning policy and retail issues

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