

STOCKTON-ON-TEES BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET RECOMMENDATIONS

PROFORMA

Cabinet Meeting20th January 2011

1. Title of Item/Report

Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment and Rural Housing Needs Study

2. Record of the Decision

Cabinet considered a report relating to the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) and the Rural Housing Needs Assessment.

Members noted that the 2010 SHLAA had been completed . The assessment showed that Stockton on Tees Borough Council had a 5-year supply of deliverable housing land based on sites with planning permission that had been assessed as deliverable and that commitments (using a base date of 1 April 2010) met housing requirements up to 2020. Cabinet was provided with details of the process by which the 2010 SHLAA had been produced. All Members had been provided with access to the document.

It was explained that Arc4 (a housing research consultancy) had been commissioned in September 2009 to carry out a Rural Housing Needs Assessment. The assessment period ran from September 2009 to January 2010. Arc4 undertook the study in conjunction with an independent rural housing specialist. The purpose of the survey had been to find out the level of housing need in each parish from both existing and future households. The study, which was provided to members was completed in March 2010. Cabinet noted the background to the study, a summary of the methodology and the key findings. Cabinet also noted delivery options and actions to meet rural affordable housing needs.

RECOMMENDED to Council that:-

1. the contents of the report be noted.
2. the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment: Final Report be approved for publication as the Stockton-on-Tees 2010 Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment Report.

3. the Rural Housing Needs Assessment: Final Report be approved for publication as the Stockton-on-Tees 2010 Rural Housing Needs Assessment.

3. Reasons for the Decision

To make available a document comprising part of the evidence base for the production of local development documents.

4. Alternative Options Considered and Rejected

None

5. Declared (Cabinet Member) Conflicts of Interest

None

6. Details of any Dispensations

Not applicable

7. Date and Time by which Call In must be executed

Not applicable

Proper Officer
25 January 2011