

**STOCKTON-ON-TEES BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**CABINET RECOMMENDATIONS**

**PROFORMA**

Cabinet Meeting .....17th March 2011

1. Title of Item/Report

Stockton Town Centre Urban Design Guide

2. Record of the Decision

Consideration was given to a report that provided a summary of the draft Stockton-on-Tees Town Centre Urban Design Guide, which aimed to improve the vitality and viability of the town centre by providing design guidance for any party involved in the regeneration of the town centre, on areas undergoing change or where change needs to be promoted and managed. The draft Guide, provided to members, set a framework for establishing a strong network of buildings, streets and spaces that delivered both quality and met the needs of the town centre and its users; whilst protecting and reinforcing the distinctive historic character of the town centre.

It was the intention for the document to fit within Local Development Framework, as a Supplementary Planning Document within the Regeneration DPD. It provided the context of the town centre's historic evolution and detailed urban design analysis of the centre's land uses, scale, urban grain, frontages, landmarks, public realm, movement and parking had been used to appraise the town centre's five distinct character areas and inform the vision for the central area as well as a masterplan for the whole Town Centre using urban design principles of best practice. The document built on the detail set out by the 2011 Stockton Town Centre Prospectus and would be a tool that would enable the vision of the prospectus to be delivered over time.

Members noted the proposed programme of consultation associated with the guide.

RESOLVED that:-

1. The principles for the regeneration of Stockton Town Centre as set out in the draft Urban Design Guide be endorsed, and the Head of Technical Services proceed with the programme of consultation detailed in Appendix 3.

2. The Head of Technical Services, in consultation with the Head of Regeneration & Economic Development and Cabinet Member for Regeneration & Transport consult on and develop the Urban Design Guide through to its final draft, with a further report to be brought to Cabinet for approval as part of the Local Development Framework work programme.

3. The Stockton Town Centre Prospectus and its relationship to the draft Stockton Town Centre Urban Design Guide be noted.

3. Reasons for the Decision

In order to guide future development, to ensure the continued and improved vitality and viability of Stockton-on-Tees town centre.

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

Midnight on 25 March 2011

Proper Officer  
21 March 2011