

Local Development Framework Steering Group

A meeting of Local Development Framework Steering Group was held on Tuesday, 29th June, 2010.

Present: Cllr Robert Cook (Chairman), Cllr Mrs Jennie Beaumont, Cllr Colin Leckonby, Cllr Steve Nelson, Cllr Mrs Maureen Rigg (vice Cllr Fletcher), Cllr Roy Rix, Cllr Mick Stoker, Cllr Mick Womphrey.

Officers: John Dixon, Jane Hall, Carol Straughan, Rosemary Young (DNS); Fiona McKie (LD).

Also in attendance: No other person's were in attendance

Apologies: were submitted on behalf of Cllr Fletcher, Cllr Patterson and Cllr Walmsley.

LDF 10/10 **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

LDF 11/10 **Minutes of the Meeting - 17th May 2010**

The minutes of the meeting held on 17th May 2010 were agreed as a correct record.

LDF 12/10 **Minerals and Waste Proposed Changes**

Members were provided with a report that sets out the Schedules of Proposed Changes to the Joint Minerals and Waste Core Strategy and Policies and Sites Development Plan Documents, the Sustainability and Environmental Report, Information in Support of a Habitats Regulation Assessment, and of an accompanying Infrastructure Strategy.

It informs of a six-week period of public consultation for the Schedules of Proposed Changes and the Infrastructure Strategy.

It recommended that delegated authority be given to the Head of Planning, in consultation with the Chair of the LDF Members Steering Group to agree any subsequent and necessary changes to the Schedules, the Development Plan Documents and all Supporting Documents and Evidence Base prior to publication and consultation and submission to the Secretary of State for Independent Examination.

A report would be submitted to Cabinet on 8th July 2010 and then to Council on 14th July.

CONCLUDED that the report be noted.

LDF 13/10 **Limits to Development**

It was proposed that the Regeneration DPD would include policies concerning the 'limits to development' and 'green wedge'. In order for these policies to be robust they must be reviewed and updated to reflect the changes made to the landscape since the last review of these policies as part of the Local Plan in the mid-1990s. It was intended that the revised limits of development and green wedges would be consulted upon as part of the Regeneration DPD Preferred

Options Report. A technical paper containing the methodology, mapping and justification for reviewing these policy boundaries would support the Regeneration DPD Preferred Options as an evidence base document.

It was suggested that consultation take place with the Parishes. It was stated that the Regeneration DPD was a consultation document and that consultation would be taking place with all appropriate parties, however this could be flagged at a Parish Meeting.

CONCLUDED that the report be noted.

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Character Areas

There were a number of areas within the Borough that had a distinctive character and sense of place. However, many of these areas within the Borough had been under pressure from development in recent years. Areas considered as having special character would be designated within the Regeneration DPD and be supported by policy to offer these areas protection from inappropriate development. A technical paper containing the methodology of selecting character areas and their individual assessments would support the Regeneration DPD Preferred Options as an evidence base document.

CONCLUDED that the report be noted.