

COUNCIL - LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK (LDF) SPECIAL MEETING

THURSDAY, 20 JANUARY 2005

DECISIONS

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Council - Local Development Framework (LDF) Special Meeting held on Thursday, 20 January 2005. The wording used does not necessarily reflect the actual wording that will appear in the minutes.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Holly Adams.

LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK (LDF) - CORE STRATEGY AND RURAL CENTRES

Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report

Council **AGREED** the recommendations as set out in the Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report and Appendix 1 as the approach to be taken for all Development Plan Documents, subject to the issues raised during discussion.

Core Strategy and Development Control Policies and Rural Centres: Preferred Options Reports

Council **AGREED** the following recommendations as set out in the Core Strategy & Development Control Policies and Rural Centres Preferred Options Reports and Appendices 2 and 3 as the basis for developing the policies to be set out in the Core Strategy and Development Control Policies and Rural Centres Development Plan Documents, subject to the issues raised during discussion:

- (a) To confirm the Preferred Approach to the Strategic Vision (CS1), subject to minor wording changes as recommended in the schedule and statements about monitoring, changing circumstances and review;
- (b) To amend the Preferred Approach for Strategy Options (CS2) to take account of climate change, the need to sustain the high technology research and development industry, and to recognise that the requirement to improve biodiversity needs to be appropriate to the development;
- (c) To retain the established approach to the definition of village frameworks (CS3), and that changes be made only where it is clear that there has been a relevant change in circumstances or an anomaly has been identified;
- (d) That the revised list of Rural Centres (CS4, RC1 and RC2) be:
 - Bar Hill
 - Cambourne
 - Sawston
 - Histon & Impington
 - Great Shelford & Stapleford;
- (e) That the new category of Minor Rural Centre be created and that these be:
 - Cottenham
 - Fulbourn
 - Gamlingay
 - Linton
 - Melbourn
 - Waterbeach
 - Willingham;
- (f) That there be no ceiling on windfall development in Rural Centres (CS5) and that all Rural Centres be classified as Rural Centres without peripheral development;

- (g) That there would be a ceiling of 25 dwellings on windfall development in Minor Rural Centres and that there would be no peripheral development in any Minor Rural Centre;
- (h) To confirm the Preferred Approach for additional development in Rural Centres (RC3), but that greater development on the existing residential land parcels in the Cambourne Masterplan beyond that suggested by Annexe C to the Rural Centres Preferred Options report or by enlargement of the site should be resisted as being inconsistent with maintaining the character of Cambourne as three separate villages;
- (i) To confirm the Preferred Approach for development in Group Villages (CS7) as up to 8 dwellings and exceptionally 15 where it would make best use of a brownfield site; and
- (j) To confirm the Preferred Approach for development in Infill Only Villages (CS8).

Green Belt

Council **AGREED** the following Cambridge Green Belt recommendations as set out in the report and Appendix 2 as the basis for developing the policies to be set out in the Core Strategy and Development Control Policies Development Plan Documents, subject to the identification of the Bayer CropScience site at Hauxton as an island in the Green Belt:

- (a) To confirm the Preferred Approach for Green Belt objectives and boundary definition (CS9 and CS10); and
- (b) To confirm the Preferred Approach for development within the Green Belt and for Major Development Sites (MDS), subject to inclusion of a definition of what would constitute an MDS (CS11 and CS12).

Development Principles

Subject to the re-wording of Core Strategies 13, 14 and 16, Council **AGREED** the Development Principles recommendations set out in the report as the basis for developing the policies to be set out in the Core Strategy and Development Control Policies Development Plan Documents.