

## **PLANNING PORTFOLIO HOLDER'S MEETING**

**TUESDAY, 7 JUNE 2016**

### **DECISIONS**

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the Planning Portfolio Holder's Meeting held on Tuesday, 7 June 2016. Decisions made by the Portfolio Holder will be subject to call-in. Recommendations made to the Cabinet or to the Council are not subject to call-in. 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 Ian Senior.

#### **1. CAMBRIDGE CITY COUNCIL AND SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL - PLAYING PITCH STRATEGY 2016 AND INDOOR SPORTS FACILITY STRATEGY 2016**

The Planning Portfolio Holder:

- (a) endorsed the following strategies in their current form:
  - Playing Pitch Strategy 2016 (Appendix A to the report)
  - Indoor Sports Facility Strategy 2016 (Appendix B to the report)
- (b) agreed that delegated authority be given to the Director of Planning and New Communities to make any subsequent minor amendments and editing changes, in consultation with the Planning Portfolio Holder.

**Other Options Considered:** The Portfolio Holder has the following options:

- (a) Endorse the strategies in their current form.
- (b) Do not endorse the strategies in their current form. Any amendments or further considerations would need to be considered in consultation with Cambridge City Council and Sport England.
- (c) Agrees, or not, that delegated authority be given to the Director of Planning and New Communities to make any subsequent minor amendments and editing changes, in consultation with the Planning Portfolio Holder.

**Reason For Decision:** The Playing Pitch Strategy 2016 and Indoor Sports Facility Strategy 2016 will guide future provision and management of sports pitches, built facilities and community use services to serve existing and new communities in the City and South Cambridgeshire. In line with the Government's National Planning Policy Framework, the strategies set out to assess existing built facilities, the future need for sport and active recreation and, as the region grows and develops, for opportunities for new provision and expansions of existing facilities.

#### **2. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING IN SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE**

The Planning Portfolio Holder agreed to

- a) set up a Task and Finish Group consisting provisionally of four District Councillors, two Parish Councillors and two Parish Council clerks to oversee the development of a number of documents relating to the review of working with Parish Councils to include
  - i. a revised agreement for use between the Council and any Parish Council preparing a Neighbourhood Plan;

- ii. a standard and enhanced offer to Parish Councils preparing Neighbourhood Plans; and
  - iii. Guidance to Neighbourhood Plans in South Cambridgeshire
- b) Consider, at a Portfolio Holder meeting in Autumn 2016, the documents referred to in a) above, submit them to consultation with Parish Councils, and then consider proposed modifications (if any) before finalising those documents; and
- c) conduct an annual review of how the Council works with Parish Councils on Neighbourhood Plans.

**Other Options Considered:** The Planning Portfolio Holder could decide not to review how we will work with PCs preparing NPs. However despite the unsuccessful SLA SCDC considers it is still good practice to be clear on how it will carry out its statutory duties relating to NP. It would not make it clear to PCs what to expect from SCDC so make it more difficult for them to project plan their work and for SCDC to most effectively use the resources available within the Council to assist PCs.

**Reason For Decision:** In light of growing interest from local communities in preparing NPs, there is a need to review how SCDC provides support to PCs as they are preparing NPs for their areas.

### 3. **PILOT BROWNFIELD REGISTER**

The Planning Portfolio Holder:

- a. endorsed the Pilot South Cambridgeshire Brownfield Register and Report in Appendix 1 for submission to DCLG; and
- b. agreed that delegated authority be given to the Director of Planning and New Communities to make any subsequent minor amendments and editing changes, in consultation with the Planning Portfolio Holder.

**Other Options Considered:** The Planning Portfolio Holder has the following options:

- (d) Endorse the Pilot Brownfield Register and Report; or
- (e) Endorse the Pilot Brownfield Register and Report with amendment;  
or
- (f) Not to Endorse the Pilot Brownfield Register and Report.

**Reason for Decision:** None specified