

PLANNING PORTFOLIO HOLDER'S MEETING

WEDNESDAY, 26 JULY 2017

DECISIONS

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the Planning Portfolio Holder's Meeting held on Wednesday, 26 July 2017. 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. **SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE LOCAL PLAN - REVIEW OF LOCAL GREEN SPACE FOLLOWING THE INSPECTORS' INTERIM FINDINGS**

The Planning Portfolio Holder

- i) **Agreed** to submit to the Local Plan Examination Inspectors the 'Further work on Policy NH/12: Local Green Space responding to the Inspectors' Interim Findings' document in **Appendix A** in response to their Interim Findings;
- ii) **Agreed** to Proposed Modifications to the submitted South Cambridgeshire Local Plan that relate to sites identified as Local Green Space in the Submission Local Plan set out in **Appendix B** be submitted to the Inspectors examining the Local Plan; and
- iii) **Agreed** that delegated authority be given to the Joint Director of Planning and Economic Development to make any subsequent minor amendments (particularly relating to sites in Bassingbourn, Fulbourn and Orwell) and editing changes, in consultation with the Planning Portfolio Holder.

Options Considered:

- 1. Approve the recommendations regarding Proposed Modifications to the Submitted Local Green Space as set out, and submit to the Inspectors for consideration.
- 2. Amend some or all of the Proposed Modifications regarding Local Green Spaces, and submit to the Inspectors for consideration.
- 3. Agree the proposed modifications as at options (a) or (b) but consider that they should be referred to full Council for consideration, even though they respond to a specific request from the Inspectors and relate to a clear steer on the changes necessary; or
- 4. Not agree the proposed modifications relating to Local Green Space, however the Inspectors provided preliminary findings expressing concerns and expecting the Council to carry out a review, and therefore a response must be provided to the Inspectors.

Reason For Decision: To respond to the preliminary conclusions received from the Local Plan Inspectors regarding Local Green Space and consider the results of the review the Council has carried out at their request. Proposed Modifications are recommended, to change the designation of a number of sites to the alternative local designations of Protected Village Amenity Area or Important Countryside Frontage, and remove LGS status from a number of sites that do not meet the criteria for any of the designations.

2. **SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE LOCAL PLAN - MODIFICATIONS TO MONITORING INDICATORS**

The Planning Portfolio Holder

- (a) agreed the proposed modifications to the submitted South Cambridgeshire Local Plan (as set out in **Appendix A** of this report) that relate to *Policy S/12: Phasing, Delivery and Monitoring* and its supporting text, including *Figure 4: Monitoring Indicators*, be submitted to the Inspectors examining the Local Plan in response to their request, along with the 'audit trail' for the changes to monitoring indicators in **Appendix B**; and
- (b) agreed that delegated authority be given to the Joint Director for Planning and Economic Development to make any subsequent minor amendments and editing changes, in consultation with the Planning Portfolio Holder.

Options Considered:

1. Agree all or some of the proposed modifications relating to the monitoring framework for the South Cambridgeshire Local Plan (as set out in **Appendix A** of this report) be submitted to the Local Plan Inspectors;
2. Agree all or some of the proposed modifications relating to the monitoring framework for the South Cambridgeshire Local Plan (as set out in **Appendix A** of this report), but with some amendments be submitted to the Local Plan Inspectors;
3. Agree the proposed modifications as at options (a) or (b) but consider that they should be referred to full Council for consideration, even though they respond to a specific request from the Inspectors and relate to a clear steer on the changes necessary; or
4. Not agree the proposed modifications relating to the monitoring framework, however the Inspectors asked the Councils to review the monitoring framework and therefore a response must be provided to the Inspectors.

Reason For Decision: The South Cambridgeshire and Cambridge Local Plans are currently being examined by independent Planning Inspectors. The Inspectors asked the Councils to review the monitoring framework and requirements set out in their respective Local Plans to ensure that the monitoring indicators were SMART (specific, measurable, achievable, relevant, and time-bound) so that their respective Local Plans could be found sound in relation to this issue. The Councils have worked together to review their monitoring requirements and indicators, and where appropriate have made

them consistent. Modifications are proposed in order to make the South Cambridgeshire Local Plan sound (as set out in **Appendix A** of this report) and these modifications will be submitted to the Planning Inspectors for consideration in response to their request, if agreed by the Planning Portfolio Holder.

3. LAND NORTH OF CHERRY HINTON - DRAFT SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT (SPD)

The Planning Portfolio Holder agreed

- a) The content of the draft Land North of Cherry Hinton Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) (Appendix A to the report);
- b) That any amendments which may arise from consideration of the SPD by Cambridge City Council can be agreed by the Joint Director of Planning and Economic Development in consultation with the Planning Portfolio Holder.
- c) To approve the draft SPD for public consultation to commence in August 2017;
- d) To approve the consultation arrangements as set out in paragraphs 16 and 17 of the report from the Joint Director for Planning and Economic Development, and the proposed schedule of consultees in Appendix B.

Options Considered: None specified

Reason For Decision: The preparation of an SPD for Land North of Cherry Hinton, in both Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire, accords with the emerging local plans of both Councils and subject to any amendments agreement is sought to commencing public consultation on the SPD in August 2017.