

Cabinet

Friday, 1 October 2021

Decisions

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Cabinet held on Friday, 1 October 2021. Decisions made by the Cabinet will be subject to call-in. Recommendations made 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 Jonathan Malton.

1. **Creating a Vision for the Oxford-Cambridge Arc - response to consultation**
Cabinet:

Agreed the joint response with Cambridge City Council to the Government's Creating a Vision Oxford-Cambridge Arc Consultation as set out in Appendix 1 and giving delegated authority to the Joint Director of Planning and Economic Development, in liaison with the Lead Cabinet Member for Planning Policy and Delivery to make minor amendments.

Options Considered: Cabinet could have:

Not agreed the joint response to the Government's Creating a Vision for the Oxford-Cambridge Arc.

Reason for Decision: To ensure the council articulates its view on the emerging ARC spatial framework as a key stakeholder in the formation of the framework.

2. **Greater Cambridge Local Plan: Preferred Options (Regulation 19) - For consultation**

Cabinet:

- a) **Agreed** the Greater Cambridge Local Plan: First Proposals (preferred options) (Regulation 18) (Appendix A) for public consultation;
- b) **Noted** the First Proposals Sustainability Appraisal (Appendix B) and Habitats Regulations Assessment (Appendix C) and agree them as supporting documents to the First Proposals that will also be subject to public consultation;
- c) **Agreed** the following supporting documents to the public consultation:
 - Topic papers for each theme (Appendix D)
 - Statement of Consultation, including the Councils' consideration of and responses to representations received to the Issues and Options consultation 2020 (Appendix E);
 - Duty to Cooperate Statement of Compliance (Appendix F);
 - Draft Duty to Cooperate Statement of Common Ground (attached at Appendix G)
 - Equalities Impact Assessment (Appendix H);

- d) **Agreed** the findings of the following background document that has informed the First Proposals and is proposed to accompany the public consultation:
- Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment (Appendix I and errata at appendix J);
- e) **Noted** the findings of the following background documents that have informed the First Proposals and are proposed to accompany the public consultation (see Background documents to this report):
- Greater Cambridge Local Plan: First Conversation (issues and options) (Regulation 18) data release published September 2020
 - Interim Evidence published in November 2020
 - New Evidence published August 2021;
- f) **Agreed** that any subsequent material amendments be made by the Lead Member for Planning Policy in Cambridge City Council and South Cambridgeshire District Council, in consultation with respective Chairs and Spokes;
- g) **Agreed** that any subsequent minor amendments and editing changes that do not materially affect the content be delegated to the Joint Director of Planning and Economic Development in consultation with the Lead Member for Planning Policy in Cambridge City Council and South Cambridgeshire District Council, in consultation with respective Chairs and Spokes.

Options Considered: Cabinet could have:

- a) Agreed to issue the First Proposals and supporting documents for consultation, making any further amendments
- b) Not agreed to issue the First Proposals and supporting documents.

Reason for Decision: Cambridge City Council and South Cambridgeshire District Council are preparing a joint Greater Cambridge Local Plan. The First Proposals (preferred options) marks the next stage in the plan making process. The report proposed for consultation has been informed by consideration of feedback from previous rounds of consultation, and the Local Plan evidence base.