



Cabinet 15 May 2013

Rural Vision 2031: Recommendations from the Rural Area Working Party: 7 May 2013 (May13/01)

Cabinet Members: Cllrs Terry Clements; and John Griffiths *Chairman of the Working Party: Cllr Jim Thorndyke*

Amendments to the recommendations provided in the original Cabinet Report D377 have been proposed following the distribution of Report D367 and following due consideration by the Rural Area Working Party. For ease of reference, changes to text are shown underlined.

1. Rural Vision 2031: Submission Version Consultation (Report D367)

RECOMMENDED:

That, subject to the approval of full Council:

- (1) the Rural Vision 2031 submission document, (Appendix 2), Policies Map Book (Appendix 5), <u>Infrastructure Delivery Plan (Appendix 6)</u>, Sustainability Appraisal (Appendix 8), and the Habitat Regulations (Screening) Assessment (Appendix 9), as contained in Report D367, be approved for public consultation, <u>subject to the</u> following amendments being included:
 - (i) capacity data to be updated, where possible and caveats included;
 - (ii) profile of rural areas to include national statistics;
 - <u>(iii) historic and natural environment Council</u> <u>assets to be described in full and the value of</u> <u>assets to include a comparison with other</u> <u>Suffolk wards;</u>
 - (iv) Gypsy and Traveller sites (para 9.38) to be reworded;

(v) Aspiration 4 (para 10.4) – reference to agriculture to be reworded; and

(vi) reference to Hundon Parish Plan to be amended to state 'completed.'

- (2) the rural site submissions (Appendix 7) be noted and that site SS12.13 has been included in the revised Rural Vision 2031 document, but that SS12.12 and SS12.14 have not been included; and
- (3) delegated authority be given to the Head of Planning and Regulatory Services, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Planning and Transport, to make any necessary minor typographical, grammatical or similar textual changes to the draft Rural Vision 2031 submission document prior to publication for consultation purposes.

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It is considered that the submission version is greatly improved as a result of both the earlier consultation, and as a result of an assessment against the content of the Government's, March 2012 published, National Planning Policy Framework. As a result the Rural Area Working Party has been asked to recommend to Cabinet that the Rural Vision 2031 submission document be approved for consultation to commence in June 2013.

(The contents of this item will be considered alongside the Cabinet's discussion on Report D376, 'Vision 2031: Recommendations from the Sustainable Development Working Party: 14 May 2013', which also considered the Rural Vision 2031 document.)

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