



# Forest Heath District Council

## Cabinet Decisions Notice (Published: Thursday 3 March 2016)

The following decisions were taken by the Cabinet on **Tuesday 1 March 2016** and, if not called in by Councillors, will come into operation on Friday 11 March 2016. This procedure does not however, apply to decisions that have been recommended to Council for a final decision (and which are also indicated within the decisions below, where appropriate). An executive decision may be called in, in accordance with the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Procedure Rules contained within Part 4 of the Council's Constitution, by at least five Councillors submitting the required call-in request form to the Head of HR, Legal and Democratic Services (e-mail: [democratic.services@westsuffolk.gov.uk](mailto:democratic.services@westsuffolk.gov.uk)) **by 5.00 pm on Thursday 10 March 2016**.

Should you have a query regarding any of the decisions taken, contact should be made with the named officer in the first instance, either on the telephone number listed against their name, or via email using the format [firstname.surname@westsuffolk.gov.uk](mailto:firstname.surname@westsuffolk.gov.uk). Alternatively, you may also contact the relevant Portfolio Holder on the telephone number listed against their name, or via email using the format [firstname.surname@forest-heath.gov.uk](mailto:firstname.surname@forest-heath.gov.uk). Contact may also be made via Democratic Services, Forest Heath District Council, District Offices, College Heath Road, Mildenhall, Suffolk, IP28 7EY

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Item No. 4 CAB/FH/16/011	None	<p><u>Recommendations of the Local Plan Working Group: 15 February 2016</u></p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That:-</p> <p>1. <u>Responses to consultation and engagement on the Core Strategy Single Issue Review (SIR), Site Allocations Local Plan (SALP) and Draft Infrastructure Delivery Plan (IDP)</u> (Report No LOP/FH/16/004)</p> <p>The responses, comments and actions as set out in Working Papers 1, 2 and 3 of Report No</p>	<p><u>Report No LOP/FH/16/004</u></p> <p>The report set out the representations, responses, comments and actions which had been made on the Core Strategy Single Issue Review (SIR), the Site Allocations Local Plan (SALP) documents and the Draft Infrastructure Delivery Plan (IDP), following the public consultation which had been held between August and October 2015.</p>	<p><u>Report No LOP/FH/16/004</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Options for progressing the SIR and SSA Local Plan Documents were considered by the Local Plan Working Group on 16 October 2014.</li> <li>Housing Options Paper was considered and endorsed by the Local Plan Working Group on 22 April 2015.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Portfolio Holder:</u> Cllr James Waters 07771 621038</p> <p><u>Chairman of the Local Plan Working Group:</u> Cllr Rona Burt 01638 712309</p> <p><u>Officer:</u> Boyd Nicholas Principal Planner 01638 719248</p>

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		<p>LOP/FH/16/004 be endorsed.</p> <p>2. <u>Core Strategy Single Issue Review (SIR) Preferred Option – (Regulation 18) Consultation Document (Report No LOP/FH/16/005)</u></p> <p>(a) The Core Strategy Single Issue Review (CS SIR) Preferred Option document (as set out in Working Paper 1 to Report No LOP/FH/16/005) and accompanying Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)/Sustainability Appraisal (SA), together with supporting documents, be approved for consultation, subject to the following amendments:</p> <p>(i) Additional text being included to provide further clarity and context for Newmarket in relation to Option 1 (the Council’s preferred option) and Option 2 (the Council’s non-preferred option).</p> <p>(ii) In relation to page 16 of the consultation document – <i>Distribution Option 1</i> – the word ‘enabling’ be replaced with the word ‘and’ - therefore being amended to read:</p>	<p><u>Report No LOP/FH/16/005</u> Working Paper 1 to this report was the third ‘Issues and Options’ (Regulation 18) CS SIR consultation document. This document considered one option for the overall level of housing to be provided in the District from 2011 to 2031 and two reasonable options (one of which was the Council’s preferred option) for its distribution between towns and villages.</p> <p>The purpose of the consultation document was to stimulate further debate on housing quantum and the most appropriate way to distribute the housing need throughout the District. The document asked questions and invited comments from both the public and statutory stakeholders.</p> <p>The Council was still evidence gathering at this stage and was not making a final decision on the distribution of housing, but was giving an indication of its preferred strategy.</p> <p>The Local Plan Working Group had recommended that the documents be approved for consultation, subject to additional text being included to provide further clarity and context for Newmarket, in</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CS SIR and SSA Local Plan Documents and the accompanying Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)/Sustainability Appraisal (SA) and supporting documents were considered by the Local Plan Working Group on 30 June 2015 and agreed by Cabinet on 14 July 2015 for consultation.</li> <li>• Working Papers 1, 2 and 3 set out summary representations and responses to the Issues and Options consultation of the Core Strategy Single Issue Review, the Further Issues and Options Site Allocations Local Plan, and the Draft Infrastructure Delivery Plan held concurrently between August and October 2015.</li> </ul>	

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		<p><i>'Distribution Option 1: Higher growth at Mildenhall and Red Lodge and Primary Villages, and lower growth at Newmarket'.</i></p> <p>(iii) Further clarity be provided to the use/context of the phrase <i>'Preferred Option'</i>, in that it was a technical planning term used under 'Regulation 18' of the statutory development plan process.</p> <p>(b) The Head of Planning and Growth, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Planning and Growth, be authorised to make any minor typographical, factual, spelling and grammatical changes to the document, provided that it does not materially affect the substance or meaning.</p>	<p>relation to Option 1 (the Council's preferred option) and Option 2 (the Council's non-preferred option).</p> <p>In relation to page 16 of the consultation document, the Cabinet considered that to avoid any misinterpretation of the Council's position, that an amendment be made to the wording of <i>'Distribution Option 1'</i> and that the word <i>'enabling'</i> be replaced with the word <i>'and'</i>. Therefore, reading: <i>'Distribution Option 1: Higher growth at Mildenhall and Red Lodge and Primary Villages, and lower growth at Newmarket'.</i></p> <p>The Cabinet also referred to the use of the phrase <i>'Preferred Option'</i> and again, to avoid any misinterpretation of the Council's position, further clarity be provided to its use/context, in that it was a technical planning term used under 'Regulation 18' of the statutory development plan process.</p>	<p><u>Report No LOP/FH/16/005</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Options for progressing the SIR Local Plan Document were considered by the Local Plan Working Group on 16 October 2014.</li> <li>Housing Options Paper was considered and endorsed by the Local Plan Working Group on 22 April 2015.</li> <li>CS SIR Local Plan Document and the accompanying Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)/Sustainability Appraisal (SA) and supporting documents were considered by the Local Plan Working Group on 30 June 2015 and agreed by Cabinet on 14 July 2015 for consultation.</li> <li>CS SIR housing distribution options and SA implications to inform the</li> </ul>	

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				<p>preparation of the CS SIR Preferred Options Local Plan document, were considered by the Local Plan Working Group on 15 February 2016.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Working Paper 1 set out the preferred and alternative option for the CS SIR consultation.</li> </ul>	
<p>Item No. 5 CAB/FH/16/012</p>	<p>None</p>	<p><u>Recommendations of the Local Plan Working Group: 18 February 2016</u></p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Progress on the Site Allocations Local Plan (SALP) be endorsed.</li> <li>The Site Allocations Preferred Options document, as set out in Working Papers 1 and 2 to Report No LOP/FH/16/006 and accompanying Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)/Sustainability Appraisal (SA), together with supporting documents, be approved for consultation, subject to the following amendment:</li> </ol>	<p>Working Paper 1 of the report was the Site Allocations Local Plan Preferred Options document. This superseded and updated the 2015 consultation document and set out the Council's preferred sites to 2031 for housing, employment and other uses.</p> <p>The document asked questions and invited comments from both the public and statutory stakeholders. The Council was still evidence gathering at this stage and was not making a final decision on sites, but was giving an indication of its preferred strategy.</p> <p>The Local Plan Working Group had recommended that the consultation documents be approved, subject to an amendment to Site N1(b) (Land at Black Bear Lane and Rowley Drive Junction, Newmarket) to</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Options for progressing the SALP were considered by the Local Plan Working Group on 16 October 2014.</li> <li>Housing Options Paper was considered and endorsed by the Local Plan Working Group on 22 April 2015.</li> <li>SALP Local Plan Document and the accompanying Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)/Sustainability Appraisal (SA) and supporting documents were</li> </ul>	<p><u>Portfolio Holder:</u> Cllr James Waters 07771 621038</p> <p><u>Chairman of the Local Plan Working Group:</u> Cllr Rona Burt 01638 712309</p> <p><u>Officer:</u> Boyd Nicholas Principal Planner 01638 719248</p>

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		<p>(i) <u>Newmarket – Site N1(b): Land at Black Bear Lane and Rowley Drive Junction (formerly N/11)</u> Paragraph 7.18 and Site (b) of Policy N1: Housing in Newmarket, of the SALP document, be amended to include further references to the retention of a horse racing related use on that site.</p> <p>3. The Head of Planning and Growth, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Planning and Growth, be authorised to make any minor typographical, factual, spelling and grammatical changes to the document, provided that it does not materially affect the substance or meaning.</p>	include further references to the retention of a horse racing related use on that site.	<p>considered by the Local Plan Working Group on 30 June 2015 and agreed by Cabinet on 14 July 2015 for consultation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Working Paper 1 set out the reasonable alternative preferred options for further SALP consultation.</li> </ul>	

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