

2019/20 Decision No. 2109

# Record of Decision by Executive Monday, 13 May 2019

Portfolio Planning and Development

Subject: Draft Local Plan Issues and Options Consultation

**Report of:** Director of Planning and Regeneration

**Corporate Priority:** Maintain and extend prosperity; Protect and enhance the

environment; Providing housing choices; Strong, safe,

inclusive and healthy communities

# Purpose:

To seek approval to the content of a consultation on the Draft Local Plan.

Local Planning Authorities are charged with producing a Local Plan to set out opportunities for development and clear policies on what will and will not be permitted via planning permission. This report sets out the background to this consultation on the issues and options pertinent to the revision of the new Local Plan, and the test to be consulted upon, presented as a Special edition of Fareham Today.

This report explains that it is recommended that the consultation content be approved, before being designed into its final form and consulted upon, thus providing at least a 6-week opportunity for comments. This will help inform the next stage of the Local Plan preparation process.

# **Options Considered:**

An amendment to Appendix A to the report was table at the meeting in order to include an additional question in the Consultation document.

An amendment to Appendix B to the report was tabled at the meeting in order to identify areas of Countryside on the map provided.

The comments made by the Planning and Development Scrutiny panel on the Consultation document were tabled at the meeting as Appendix C to the report.

At the invitation of the Executive Leader, Councillor R H Price, JP addressed the Executive on this item.

As recommendation.

## **Decision:**

RESOLVED that the Executive:

- (a) approves the content of the consultation document on the Draft Local Plan, subject to:
  - (i) the inclusion of the additional wording in the Question & Answer section, as tabled at Appendix A;
  - (ii) the inclusion of the revised map illustrating areas of countryside, as tabled at Appendix B;
  - (iii) acceptance of the Planning and Development Scrutiny Panel's suggested amendments, as table at Appendix C, except for the suggested deletions on page 8 in respect of the successfully defended appeals and the suggested deletion on page 16 of the question that asks how a Council can cause new homes to be built beyond just giving planning permission; and
  - (iv) the inclusion of a response, to be drafted by the Director of Planning and Regeneration, following consultation with the Executive Member for Planning and Development, which answers the question referred to in point (iii) above; and
- (b) agrees that the Director of Planning and Regeneration be authorised to make any necessary minor amendments, following consultation with the Executive Member for Planning and Development, provided these do not change their overall direction, shape or emphasis.

#### Reason:

To undertake publication and consultation as required under Regulation 18 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.

# Confirmed as a true record:

Councillor SDT Woodward (Executive Leader)

Monday, 13 May 2019

# FAREHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL

2019/20 Decision No. 2110

# **Record of Decision by Executive**

Monday, 13 May 2019

Portfolio Planning and Development

Subject: Current position on Housing Delivery Test

Report of:

Corporate Priority: Maintain and extend prosperity; Protect and enhance the

environment; Providing housing choices; Strong, safe,

inclusive and healthy communities

## Purpose:

To provide the Executive with an update on the Housing Delivery Test, including an explanation of the figures recently announced, and a projection of anticipated results for the next five years.

The Housing Delivery Test (HDT) is a new measurement introduced under the revisions to the NPPF in 2018. It is designed to ensure that new homes are built at a rate commensurate with the housing requirement. The housing requirement is based on the figures within a Local Plan adopted in the past five years, or the standard methodology for calculating housing need.

The implications of the HDT places much greater emphasis on the granting of sufficient planning permissions to ensure that a sufficient number of homes are delivered on the ground. The sanctions for not passing the HDT include losing the primacy of the Local Plan and complying with the presumption in favour of sustainable development. They apply even in a situation where the Council can demonstrate a five-year housing land supply.

# **Options Considered:**

As recommendation.

#### Decision:

RESOLVED that, having considered the report on the Housing Delivery Test, the Executive recommends that the report be shared with the Planning Committee for information.

# Reason:

To provide the Executive with information regarding the Housing Delivery Test and its implications for the Authority's planning functions.

# Confirmed as a true record:

Councillor SDT Woodward (Executive Leader)

Monday, 13 May 2019