

FAREHAM

BOROUGH COUNCIL

Report to the Executive Leader for Decision

Portfolio:	Executive Leader
Subject:	Attendance at 'Making Garden Communities, Great Communities' Conference
Report of:	Director of Planning and Regulation
Corporate Priorities:	All Corporate Priorities

Purpose: This report seeks approval for the Executive Member for Planning and Development to attend 'Making Garden Communities, Great Communities' Conference which is being held at St-Martin-in-the-fields, Trafalgar Square, London on 24 May 2018.

Executive Summary:

The Government is encouraging the development of new 'Garden Villages, Towns and Cities'. But what does it mean to be a 'garden' community? What are the Garden City Principles and how can they be applied in today's political and economic context? What is the significance of the proposed removal of reference to Garden City principles in the draft revised National Planning Policy Framework?

This conference will include speakers from a wider range of places already working hard to create high quality new places inspired by the Garden City Principles and will benefit anyone thinking about, or already embarked on the process, whether they are councillors, planners, developers, or member of local communities.

Recommendation:

That approval is given for the Executive Member for Planning and Development to attend 'Making Garden Communities, Great Communities' Conference taking place on 24 May 2018 at St-Martin-in-the-fields, Trafalgar Square, London.

Reason:

This conference will provide an opportunity for the Executive Member for Planning and Development to learn more about the proposed changes to the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) in regard to Garden Communities, and how this could affect Fareham Borough Council's Welborne Garden Village.

Cost of Proposals:

Attendance at this conference would be £180.00, plus travel and any other appropriate subsistence costs. These costs can be met from within existing budgets.

Risk Assessment:

There are no significant risks in relation to the Executive Member for Planning and Development attending 'Making Garden Communities, Great Communities' Conference taking place on 24 May 2018 at St-Martin-in-the-fields, Trafalgar Square, London