

# FAREHAM

## BOROUGH COUNCIL

### Report to the Executive for Decision 05 September 2016

<b>Portfolio:</b>	Planning and Development
<b>Subject:</b>	Local Development Scheme 2016-2018
<b>Report of:</b>	Director of Planning and Regulation
<b>Strategy/Policy:</b>	Fareham Local Plan Review
<b>Corporate Objective:</b>	To protect and enhance the environment To maintain and extend prosperity To ensure that Fareham remains a safe and healthy place to live and work To provide a reasonable range of leisure opportunities for health and fun To build strong and inclusive communities To be a dynamic, prudent and progressive Council

**Purpose:**  
To approve the Local Development Scheme 2016-2018 for adoption.

**Executive summary:**  
Local Planning Authorities are required by legislation to prepare and maintain a Local Development Scheme (LDS). The purpose of the Fareham Borough Local Development Scheme is to set out the timetable for producing the Fareham Borough Local Plan Review, as well as the Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) and the Authority Monitoring Report (AMR).

The purpose of the Local Development Scheme is to ensure that the community and interested parties are aware of the programme for preparing the Local Plan Review and importantly when there will be opportunities to respond to consultations on it.

The timetable set out in the Local Development Scheme aims for the adoption of the Local Plan Review in autumn 2018.

**Recommendation:**  
That the Executive agrees:

- (a) to delegate authority to the Director of Planning and Regulation to make any necessary minor changes to the Local Development Scheme, providing that

these do not change the overall direction, shape or emphasis of the document, prior to the document being published on the Council's website; and

- (b) to adopt the Fareham Borough Local Development Scheme 2016-2018 as set out in Appendix A to the report.

**Reason:**

To meet the Council's statutory responsibility for setting out an up-to-date timetable for the production of the Local Plan Review so that local communities and interested parties can keep track of progress.

**Cost of proposals:**

There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

**Appendices:**                    **A:** Fareham Borough Local Development Scheme 2016-2018 (September 2016)

**Background papers:** None.

**Reference papers:**        None.

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### Executive Briefing Paper

<b>Date:</b>	05 September 2016
<b>Subject:</b>	Local Development Scheme 2016-2018
<b>Briefing by:</b>	Director of Planning and Regulation
<b>Portfolio:</b>	Planning and Development

#### INTRODUCTION

1. Local planning authorities are required by legislation to prepare and maintain a Local Development Scheme (LDS). The LDS provides the timetable for the preparation of the Local Plan Review as well as the Authority Monitoring Report and Statement of Community Involvement by the Council. The purpose of producing a Local Development Scheme is to ensure that local communities and interested parties are kept up-to-date with the programme for preparing the Local Plan Review and importantly when there will opportunities to respond to consultations on it.
2. The existing Fareham Borough Local Development Scheme (LDS) was adopted in September 2014 and provided the timetable for the completion of the Fareham Borough Local Plan Part 2 (Development Sites and Policies) and Local Plan Part 3 (Welborne Plan), which were both adopted in June 2015.

#### NEED TO UPDATE CURRENT LOCAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME

3. During the examinations of Local Plan Part 2 & Local Plan Part 3, the Council made a commitment to commence an early review of the Local Plan, following the commencement of a review of the South Hampshire Strategy by the Partnership for Urban South Hampshire (PUSH). A timetable that was considered to be achievable to undertake a review of the Local Plan at that time was agreed to by the Planning Inspector and published in the existing Local Development Scheme (September 2014).
4. That timetable was based on the review timeline for the PUSH South Hampshire Strategy (now known as PUSH Spatial Position Statement). Due to the complexity of the PUSH review, the timetable for completion of that Strategy was extended by PUSH by approximately three months from March 2016 until June 2016.
5. In order for the Local Plan Review to be informed by, and be in consistency with the PUSH Spatial Position Statement and its supporting evidence, it is considered necessary to revise the timetable for the development of the Fareham Borough Local Plan Review. The revised timetable demonstrates the Council's intention of delivering an up to date Local Plan which is in consistency with the National Planning Policy

Framework and which will be submitted for examination in winter 2017.

6. The proposed timetable for the Fareham Local Plan Review is set out as the following:

Spring 2017	Consultation on Draft Plan
Autumn-Winter 2017	Consultation on Publication Plan
Winter 2017	Submission of Plan to Secretary of State
Spring–Summer 2018	Examination
Post-examination/Autumn 2018	Adoption

7. It is worth highlighting that the Council has little control over the length of the examination phase, as it is managed by the Planning Inspectorate. However, should the examination phase be concluded sooner than is estimated in the timetable, then adoption of the Plan would accordingly be undertaken sooner.
8. The purpose for the Local Plan Review is to enable the Council to plan for up to date needs, such as housing and employment, as well as taking account of proposed changes to the NPPF and other new planning guidance and legislation. The Local Plan Review will also enable the Council to simplify the current Local Plan by preparing a new Local Plan that is clearer, more concise and more engaging for local communities.

#### **STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND AUTHORITY MONITORING REPORT**

9. In addition to the revised timetable for the Local Plan Review, the Local Development Scheme also sets out the timetable for the update to the Council's Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) and for the annual preparation of the Council's Authority Monitoring Report (AMR).
10. The Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) sets the standards and approach that the Council will take to involve the community and other interested parties in the production of Local Development Documents, such as the Local Plan Review, as well as the consultation requirements of planning applications. The Council is currently reviewing its adopted Statement of Community Involvement from January 2011 and is planning to publish a new SCI for public consultation.
11. The Council will continue to prepare an Authority Monitoring Report (AMR) on an annual basis, in accordance with the Town and Country Planning Regulations 2012. The Authority Monitoring Report will report on the progress of work to progress the Local Plan Review against the timetable set out in the subject of this report, the Local Development Scheme 2016-2018.
12. This report was presented to the Planning & Development Panel on the 19<sup>th</sup> July 2016 and subsequent minor amendments were made to the work programme.

#### **Enquiries:**

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