

Single Member Cabinet Decision


**Executive
Forward Plan
Reference**

E3198

**Updates to the Local Development Scheme, Local Plan and
Statement of Community Involvement**

Decision maker	Cllr Tim Ball, Cabinet Member for Housing, Planning, and Economic Development
The Issue	<p>1.1 This report seeks three decisions which are to agree;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) amendments to the Council's Local Development Scheme which is the Council's programme for the preparation and review of planning policies,(b) changes to the Statement of Community Involvement which sets out the approach to engaging residents and stakeholders in the preparation and review of planning policies, and(c) to undertake a partial update to the B&NES Local Plan, beginning with the publication of a Commencement Document to launch the process.
Decision Date	Not before 22/03/2020
The decision	<p>The Cabinet Member agrees;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. that the amendments to the Interim Local Development Scheme 2020/21 (Attachment 1) to come into effect on or after 28th March,b. that the revised Statement of Community Involvement 2020 (Attachment 2), andc. that;<ul style="list-style-type: none">i. the B&NES Core Strategy and Placemaking (the B&NES Local Plan) should be partially updated, andii. the Local Plan Partial Update Commencement Document (Attachment 3) is published for consultation for a period of at least 6 weeksd. that the Director of Development and Public Protection is given delegated authority to make minor amendments and correct any errors in the Local Development Scheme, the Statement of Community Involvement and Commencement Document prior to publication.

Rationale for decision	Required to meet statutory obligations
Financial and budget implications	<p>The programme of work included in the amended LDS will be resourced by the LDF budget and the growth bids agreed in the Council budget. It will require the Planning Policy Team to work jointly with other services. An updated housing land supply will reduce the Councils vulnerability to predatory planning applications and appeals and the substantial costs associated with them. The partial review will also yield significant CIL receipts and S.106 contributions.</p> <p>The public engagement activities outlined in the amended Statement of Community Involvement is also covered by LDF budget.</p> <p>Any additional proposals arising during 2020/21 to the above work programme will need to be resourced.</p>
Issues considered	Social Inclusion; Customer Focus; Sustainability; Property; Young People; Corporate; Other Legal Considerations
Consultation undertaken	Ward Councillor; Cabinet colleagues; Staff; Other B&NES Services; Section 151 Finance Officer; Chief Executive; Monitoring Officer NB extensive public consultation will be undertaken on the Launch Document
How consultation was carried out	Internal liaison
Other options considered	<p>There is limited discretion for the Council as it is obliged by statute to review its Local Plan within 5 years of adoption and ensure that the Local Plan is up-to-date. The list of plans in the Local Development Scheme are those needed to deliver the Council's objective as set out in the new Corporate Strategy.</p> <p>The Council is also required to review Statement of Community Involvement every 5 years and this provides the opportunity to ensure that it is aligned with the approach to engaging residents in the new Corporate Strategy.</p> <p>In reviewing Local Plan policies, the Council will consider and consult on a range of options later this year before finalising its preferred policy approach.</p>
Declaration of interest by Cabinet Member(s) for decision:	NONE
Any conflict of interest declared by anyone who is	

consulted by a Member taking the decision:	
Name and Signature of Decision Maker/s	
Date of Signature	23.3.2020
Subject to Call-in until 5 Working days have elapsed following publication of the decision	