Bath & North East Somerset Council

Decision Register Entry

Single Member Cabinet Decision

Executive Forward Plan Reference

E3287

Energy Efficiency Retrofitting & Sustainable Construction (EER&SC) Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) (Reviewing and Combining the Sustainable Construction & Retrofitting SPD and Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy in Historic & Listed Buildings SPD)

Decision maker/s	Cllr Tim Ball, Cabinet Member for Planning and Licensing			
The Issue	Following the Council's Climate Emergency declaration, review and combine the existing Sustainable Construction & Retrofitting SPD and Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy in Historic Buildings SPD in order to better align with, and help deliver, the core aims of this resolution by providing more positive, practical and up-to-date advice to improve the energy efficiency of B&NES's building stock. The reviewed and combined SPD will be entitled the 'Energy Efficiency Retrofitting & Sustainable Construction SPD'.			
Decision Date	Not before the 24 th of July 2021.			
The decision	The Cabinet Member agrees to:			
	 Issue the Draft EER&SC SPD (incorporating changes set out in the schedule of changes dated 22nd July 2021) for statutory consultation under Regulation 12 (b) of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012; and Delegate any necessary editorial changes to the Head of Planning, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Planning and Licensing, prior to consultation. 			
Rationale for decision	Following consultation with key stakeholders, the revised and combined EER&SC SPD will provide user-friendly, up-to-date guidance which will support the adopted Core Strategy/Placemaking Plan policies relating to sustainable construction, retrofitting, and renewable energy; and when adopted the proposed updates to these policies within the Local Plan Partial Update; and the aims and objectives of the Council's Climate Emergency declaration.			
Financial and budget implications	The review and preparation of the revised Draft EER&SC SPD has been undertaken by the Planning Policy Team and Donald Insall Associates, our appointed external consultants for this project. The costs of its preparation and public consultation will be covered within the existing salary budget and the Council's Local Development Framework budget.			

Issues considered	Social Inclusion; Equalities, Customer Focus; Sustainability; Corporate; Other Legal Considerations			
Consultation undertaken	 Ward Councillors from across Bath Councillors on the Planning Committee, B&NES Council Development Management Officers, B&NES Council Housing Officers, B&NES Council Sustainability Officers, B&NES Council Conservation Officers, B&NES Council Historic England Bath Preservation Trust The University of Bath Bath Spa University Bath College Local Resident Associations A number of other stakeholders and stakeholder groups who have knowledge in the fields of heritage conservation and/or sustainable construction and retrofitting. 			
How consultation was carried out	 Zoom workshops Webinar Internal meetings with Officers 			
Other options considered	No other options were considered.			
Declaration of interest by Cabinet Member for decision:	None			
Any conflict of interest declared by anyone who is consulted by a Member taking the decision:	None			
Name and Signature				

Name and Signature of Decision Maker	Councillor Tim Ball	MBall	
Date of Signature	28 th July 2021		
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Subject to Call-in until 5 Working days have elapsed following publication of the decision