

<b>REPORT TO:</b>	<b>ENVIRONMENTAL &amp; DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE</b>	<b>AGENDA ITEM: 10</b>
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<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>AUTHORITY MONITORING REPORT</b>	
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## **1.0 Recommendations**

- 1.1 That the Committee notes the content of the Authority Monitoring Report (AMR) and
- 1.2 Authorises the publication of the document on the Council’s website.

## **2.0 Purpose of the Report**

- 2.1 To allow the Committee to note the content of the AMR, which provides information on the performance of policies in the adopted Local Plan Part 1 and 2 for the monitoring period April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022 to March 31<sup>st</sup> 2023 and to seek authorisation to publish this on the Council’s website.

## **3.0 Detail**

- 3.1 The preparation of an AMR is a requirement under the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.
- 3.2 The Council has produced monitoring reports on an annual basis since 2004. These have historically been published in December or January each year. The reports present data on a wide range of issues such as the number of homes and amount of commercial floor space completed or under construction during the monitoring year and the progress being made on the preparation of Development Plan Documents
- 3.3 The AMR includes monitoring for the Local Plan policies included in the Local Plan Part 1 and 2.
- 3.4 Particular areas of note from the report are that in the monitoring year there were 1118 new housing completions, of which 132 were affordable homes. These figures

are an increase on the previous year by 198 and a decrease of 24 affordable homes, respectively. The Council can demonstrate a five-year housing land supply of 5.76 years using the Local Plan Requirement and 8.18 years using the Government's Standard method. For comparison the same figures were 6.29 years and 8.71 years in the report last year. This reduction in supply is to be expected as existing local plan allocations continue to be built out, and new allocations will be needed to replenish the housing supply as part of the Local Plan review which is underway. This also takes into account changes to the NPPF from December 2023 which allow a more favourable calculation of 5 year supply this year when compared to last.

- 3.5 Regarding regeneration and the use of brownfield land, 11% of housing delivered within the monitoring period was on previously developed land and 89.95% of employment floor space was delivered on previously developed sites.

#### **4.0 Financial Implications**

- 4.1 None directly arising from this report.

#### **5.0 Corporate Implications**

##### **Employment Implications**

- 5.1 None directly arising from this report.

##### **Legal Implications**

- 5.2 None directly arising from this report.

##### **Corporate Plan Implications**

- 5.3 The AMR allows effective monitoring of the Council's planning policies some of which are of importance in delivering the strategic priorities and objectives included in the Council's Corporate Plan and relative Service Delivery Plans produced by the individual directorates.

##### **Risk Impact**

- 5.4 None directly arising from this report.

#### **6.0 Community Impact**

##### **Consultation**

- 6.1 None.

##### **Equality and Diversity Impact**

- 6.2 None directly arising from this report.

##### **Social Value Impact**

- 6.3 The AMR notes that the level of affordable housing completions across the District has decreased compared to the previous monitoring period, partially reflecting lower housing completion rates due to the Covid-19 pandemic and increased levels of Section 106 Affordable Housing commuted sums paid for off-site delivery.
- 6.4 The AMR records that there was a new increase in employment land and floorspace over the monitoring period.

### **Environmental Sustainability**

- 6.5 None.

## **7.0 Conclusions**

- 7.1 The AMR shall be published on Council's website following Committee approval.

## **8.0 Background Papers**

Appendix 1: Authority Monitoring Report 2022/23

Appendix 2: Housing Position Paper, January 2024