
REPORT TO:	ENVIRONMENTAL AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM: 8
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SUBJECT:	ADOPTION OF THE STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT	REF:
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	ALL WARDS	TERMS OF REFERENCE: EDS03

1.0 Recommendations

- 1.1 That the Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) attached at Appendix 1 be adopted by the Council, replacing the SCI adopted in March 2006.

2.0 Purpose of Report

- 2.1 To inform the Committee on the outcome of the draft SCI consultation and to present the final SCI for adoption.

3.0 Detail

- 3.1 At the meeting of this Committee on 31 May 2018, the draft SCI was approved for consultation. The consultation on the SCI ran for just over seven weeks, closing on 3 September 2018.
- 3.2 Details of the consultation itself, together with a summary of the representations received, and officer comments in response to those representations, are set out in the Consultation Statement at Appendix 2.
- 3.3 A total of nine responses were received to the draft SCI consultation, seven of which were expressing either no specific comment or support for the SCI as drafted. The remaining two consultation responses were from parish councils and their summarised comments are set out in the Consultation Statement.
- 3.4 One change has been made to the SCI in direct response to a consultation response. Further changes have been made to the SCI to improve its clarity and intent, however for the most part the SCI remains as presented to this Committee in May.

4.0 Financial Implications

- 4.1 There are no financial implications directly arising from this report.

5.0 Corporate Implications

5.1 To facilitate and deliver a range of integrated and sustainable housing and community infrastructure is a key aim within the Place theme of the Corporate Plan. A Statement of Community Involvement is a key tool in delivering this aim.

6.0 Community Implications

6.1 The Statement of Community Involvement is, by its very nature, a mechanism for the community to understand what it can expect from the planning process, be that through policy production or planning applications.

7.0 Background Papers

7.1 Appendix 1 – Statement of Community Involvement, September 2018
Appendix 2 - Consultation Statement