

REPORT TO:	Environmental and Development Services	AGENDA ITEM: 11
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REPORT FROM:	Director of Community and Planning Services	OPEN: **
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SUBJECT:	Pre-Submission Local Plan Part 1	REF:
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	All	TERMS OF REFERENCE: *see below

1.0 Recommendations

That Members:

- (i) endorse the Pre-Submission Local Plan Part 1, for the purposes of public consultation from 10th March to 22nd April 2014.
- (ii) delegate authority to the Director of Community and Planning and Chair of this Committee to approve a final public consultation version of the Pre-Submission Local Plan Part 1.

2.0 Purpose of Report

2.1 To endorse the publication of the Pre-Submission Local Plan Part 1 document which includes changes from the Draft Local Plan which were previously reported at Committee. The consultation will also include an updated Sustainability Appraisal, Infrastructure Delivery Plan and Consultation Statement for the purposes of undertaking the statutory Pre-Submission public consultation.

3.0 Detail

3.1 As Members are aware the purpose of the new Local Plan is to allow for replacement of the 1998 Local Plan. The Local Plan since the publication of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) has carried little weight. Since 2009 and the announced abolition of the Regional Spatial Strategies, work has been on-going alongside Derby City and Amber Valley on aligned Local Plans (originally Core Strategies) as part of the Derby Housing Market Area (HMA).

3.2 The South Derbyshire Local Plan will be split into two parts. Part 1 covers the strategic housing allocations and the required allocations for employment. It also includes key development management policies. Part 2 will include smaller non-strategic housing allocations, detailed heritage and conservation policies, detailed retail policies, Green Belt review of minor changes required, countryside policies and an educational policy for delivering land for a new

secondary school.

- 3.3 Members will recall that the Draft Local Plan was published in September last year with a consultation period that ran into November.
- 3.4 There were over 1,400 comments received on that stage of the plan from stakeholders, members of the public, interest groups, landowners and planning agents. These comments have now been considered and researched with amendments made to the Draft Local Plan where appropriate.
- 3.5 As Members are aware, the objectively assessed housing need of the District is 13,454 with around 2,500 dwellings to help Derby City meet its needs as it cannot within its own boundary. The assessed employment need for the District is 53ha.
- 3.6 The next stage of this Local Plan process is the Pre-Submission stage or 'Regulation 19' consultation. This stage is a final opportunity to comment on the Local Plan before it is submitted to the Planning Inspectorate. This stage is concerned with the robustness and soundness of the Plan. It is proposed that this consultation will run from 10th March to 22nd April 2014. It has been agreed previously that there will be six drop in events across the District in and at the following locations and times:
 - Old Post Centre, Newhall - 17th March 2:30pm - 7:30pm
 - Aston Heritage Centre - 19th March 2:30pm - 7:30pm
 - Hilton Village Hall - 26th March 3:30pm - 7:45pm
 - Repton Village Hall - 28th March 2:30pm - 7:30pm
 - Rosliston Village Hall - 4th April 2:30pm - 7:30pm
 - Church Rooms, Church Gresley - 8th April 2:30pm - 7:30pm.
- 3.7 There are no changes to the suggested allocations for the housing and employment allocations made in the Draft Local Plan. There are minor changes to some of the housing allocations. As Members are aware, the numbers suggested through the Local Plan may not match those numbers suggested through planning applications. However, the detailed planning application process will establish whether an increase or decrease from a dwelling number suggested in the allocation is suitable.
- 3.8 The list in appendix 1 is the main changes to policy where the emphasis may have shifted or a point of clarification was required. There have been numerous other changes that relate to grammatical changes, updates to diagrams and formatting changes. The Pre-Submission Local Plan Part 1 can be seen at Appendix 2.
- 3.9 During the last consultation the Sustainability Appraisal was consulted upon for the first time in its full detail. Changes have been made to that document through consultation comments received but also through the continued gathering of information.

- 3.10 The consultation statement has been updated to reflect the previous round of consultation.
- 3.11 The Infrastructure Delivery Plan has been updated to reflect new information that has been received both during the previous consultation but also through continued evidence gathering. This evidence has been collected through continued contact with key stakeholders such as NHS England, Clinical Commissioning Groups, Environment Agency, Severn Trent and Derbyshire County Council.
- 3.12 The process following the end of the Pre-Submission consultation is for officers to take account of the comments that have been received and where appropriate make changes to the documents. The Regulations and guidance in relation to the Local Plan process indicate that any changes at this stage of the process should be limited in nature. The report will be brought before Members at Full Council on 3rd July. The submission version of the Local Plan Part 1 will then, along with the evidence base, be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate on 11th July for consideration prior to examination dates being set. Once submitted the Planning Inspectorate decides when the examination will take place but it is expected to take place in September/October this year.

4.0 Financial Implications

- 4.1 None arising directly from this report.

5.0 Corporate Implications

- 5.1 The adoption of a South Derbyshire Local Plan is a key function of the District Council and an action within the Economic Growth priority in the Corporate Plan. The successful adoption has benefits throughout the work of the Council, and will enable control to be maintained on the spatial planning of the District.

6.0 Community Implications

- 6.1 An adopted Local Plan will ensure that development across the District is achieved in as sustainable manner as possible and in a way that provides the infrastructure of community facilities for both the new residents but also existing residents.

7.0 Background Papers

- 7.1 Draft Local Plan Part 1, September 2013

Appendices to follow but will contain:

Annex 1: Main Changes from Draft Local Plan Part 1

Annex 2: Pre-Submission Local Plan Part 1 (Draft)

Annex 3: Sustainability Appraisal (Draft)

Annex 4: Consultation Statement (Draft)
Annex 5: Infrastructure Delivery Plan (Draft)