

REPORT TO:	ENVIRONMENTAL AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM: 7
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SUBJECT:	LOCAL GREEN SPACES DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENT – REGULATION 19 PROPOSED SUBMISSION	
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	ALL	TERMS OF REFERENCE: EDS03

1.0 Recommendations

1.1 That the Committee approve the Local Green Spaces Development Plan Document (Appendix A) for the Regulation 19 consultation and submission to the Planning Inspectorate.

2.0 Purpose of the Report

2.1 To endorse the publication of the Proposed Submission Local Green Spaces document. The document has been updated to include changes proposed from the Draft (Regulation 18) consultation undertaken in October 2018.

3.0 Detail

3.1 The Local Green Spaces Development Plan Document (LGSDPD) is the Proposed Submission version that will be considered through a consultation known as 'Regulation 19'. This consultation is specifically related to the soundness, robustness and legal compliance of the Plan. It is the final consultation prior to submitting the LGSDPD to the Planning Inspectorate, who will then appoint an independent Inspector to examine whether the Plan is sound.

3.2 The Draft LGSDPD was consulted on in October 2018. There were 49 comments received on the document. Some comments included the proposal of additional sites for consideration as Local Green Spaces. The consultation statement at Appendix B summarises the responses received from the Draft consultation and the information from the Local Plan Part 2.

3.3 As this consultation is specifically related to the soundness of the Plan and does not offer options, it is proposed that specific time is made available at the Council Offices by Officers within the six week period. Therefore it is proposed that every Thursday from 9:30am – 2pm for the six week period, two Officers will be available at the Council Offices to discuss the Plan. It will of course also be possible to contact the

Planning Policy Team outside of those times by phone and email and set up a separate meeting if required.

- 3.4 The additional sites suggested have been assessed through the Sustainability Appraisal process using the criteria agreed at this Committee on 19th April 2018. From the sites suggested, nineteen have passed through both stages of the criteria assessment and are included in the Proposed Submission document; seven in Hilton and twelve in Stenson Fields.
- 3.5 Sites have been reassessed where new information has been provided. This has resulted in two sites no longer passing the first stage of the criteria. They have been removed from the table of proposed local green spaces and also from the maps. The two sites are site ref 89: Lothian Gardens, Melbourne and site ref 129: Land east of Strawberry Lane, Rosliston.
- 3.6 This reassessment has also led to some site boundaries being amended which generally relates to clarification over where land is privately owned and not publically accessible.
- 3.7 In total, 104 sites are proposed for designation as a local green space. Over 195 sites were proposed and assessed. These sites are set out in the sustainability appraisal, with each site having its own proforma and consideration of the criteria.
- 3.8 There are two policies included in the LGSDPD which supplement the overarching policy BNE8: Local Green Spaces in the Local Plan Part 2. Following the consultation on the draft, policy LGS1: Development on a Local Green Space has been changed to make its purpose clearer. Policy LGS2 has not been changed.
- 3.9 It is proposed that the consultation runs from 5th February to 19th March which is a period of six weeks – the statutory period required.
- 3.10 The process following the end of the Regulation 19 consultation is for Officers to review the comments made and where necessary make changes to the document, though any changes to the LGSDPD will need to be considered as modifications at this point. The regulations and guidance in relation to the process indicate that any changes at this stage of the process should be limited in nature. All comments received are sent to the Planning Inspectorate for the Inspector to consider whilst reviewing the detail of the Plan.

4.0 Financial Implications

- 4.1 There are no financial implications for the Council additional to those already budgeted for.

5.0 Corporate Implications

- 5.1 **Employment Implications:** Implementation of the LGSDPD will be carried out within the limits of existing staff resources
- 5.2 **Legal Implications:** There are no legal implications
- 5.3 **Corporate Plan Implications:** The LGSDPD provides a framework which is of importance in delivering the strategic priorities and objectives contained in the Council's Corporate Plan and related Service Delivery Plans produced by individual directorates.

5.4 **Risk Impact:** There is limited risk though this document does form part of the Local Development Scheme.

6.0 **Community Impact**

6.1 **Consultation:** Consultation will take place over a six week period.

6.2 **Equality and Diversity Impact:** The delivery of infrastructure will assist in meeting the diverse needs of all established and future residents and non-residents across the District. Certain elements of proposed infrastructure are intended to address existing gaps and shortfalls in provision and will thus assist in achieving greater equality.

6.3 **Social Value Impact:** the provision and enhancement of open space, recreation and medical facilities will enhance public health and well- being.

6.4 **Environmental Sustainability:** the LGSDPD will contribute toward the achievement of economic, social and environmental objectives.

7.0 **Conclusions**

7.1 The LGSDPD will add further to the Local Plan Part 1 and 2 and deliver the designation of local green spaces as proposed during the Part 2 examination.

8.0 **Background Papers**

South Derbyshire Local Plan Part 1

South Derbyshire District
Council, June, 2016

South Derbyshire Local Plan Part 2

South Derbyshire District
Council , November, 2017

Appendix A: Local Green Spaces Proposed Submission

Appendix B: Consultation Statement: Local Green Spaces