



Meeting: Council

Date: Wednesday 22 February 2012

Subject: Proposed submission Eastbourne town centre area action plan (AAP)

Report of: Councillor David Tutt on behalf of the Cabinet

The Council is asked to consider the minute and resolution of the Cabinet meeting held on 14 December 2011 as set out below.

Further copies of the report to Cabinet are available on request – please see end of this report. A copy may be seen on the Council's website at:

<http://www.eastbourne.gov.uk/council/meetings/cabinet/>

The Council is recommended to:-

Approve the submission Eastbourne town centre area action plan and sustainability appraisal and that this be submitted to the Secretary of State early next year.

**Minute Extract
CABINET 14 December 2011**

***71 Proposed submission Eastbourne town centre area action plan (AAP) (Cabinet 13 July 2011, page 61, minute 21).**

- 71.1 Cabinet considered the report of the Senior Head of Development and Environment. Last July Cabinet had approved the proposed submission Eastbourne town centre AAP to be published for the community and stakeholders to make final representations, in preparation for formal submission of the document to the Secretary of State. This stage in the process of preparing the AAP was in accordance with Regulation 27 of the statutory Town and Country Planning regulations. A 9-week period in which the community and stakeholders could make representations ended on 22 September 2011. At this final stage representations could only be made on matters of 'soundness' and/or 'legal compliance'.
- 71.2 At the end of the representation period, 66 comments had been received from 38 individuals or organisations. Responses to all of the comments received during the representation period were detailed in appendix 1 to the report. The representations received included comments on the following:

- Need to provide improved pedestrian and disabled access.
- Need to ensure quality of design for new developments.
- Need for office space and community facilities in the town centre.
- Need to protect specialist independent retailers.
- Need for new major retailers.
- Support for public spaces, improved signage and better links between the station and the seafront.
- Buses should be removed from Terminus Road.
- Need for enhanced provision for cycling in Eastbourne.

71.3 A schedule of proposed changes to the proposed submission town centre AAP, after seeing the representations, had been prepared and formed appendix 2 to the report. A copy of the sustainability report was also available for viewing on the Council's website.

*71.4 **Resolved (budget and policy framework):** That full Council be recommended to approve the submission Eastbourne town centre area action plan and sustainability appraisal and that this be submitted to the Secretary of State early next year.

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