

Meeting: Full Council

Date: 24 July 2023

Subject: Local Development Scheme

Report of: Councillor Laurence O'Connor on behalf of the Cabinet

The Council is asked to consider the minute and resolution of the **Cabinet** meeting held on **8 December 2022** as set out below.

The Council is recommended:-

- (1) To adopt the revised Lewes Local Development Scheme 2023-2025 as set out at Appendix 1 to the Cabinet report (attached as Annex 1b to this report).
- (2) That delegated authority be given to the Director of Regeneration and Planning in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Planning and Infrastructure to make minor changes within the Local Development Scheme where necessary.

Minute extract Cabinet – 8 December 2022.

The Cabinet considered the report of the Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Regeneration and Planning, seeking their endorsement of the Local Development Scheme update for approval by Full Council.

Policy and Performance Advisory Committee (PPAC), held on 1 December 2022 considered the report and made the following recommendation to Cabinet:

To support the officer recommendations in the Cabinet report, subject to the following additional recommendation:

(3) That the Cabinet consider providing funding for additional staff resources, to support the existing timetable and delivery of the Local Plan.

Councillor Boorman, Chair of Policy and Performance Advisory Committee, was in attendance to present PPAC's discussion. Councillor Linington, Leader of the Opposition Group, also spoke on the item.

In recognising the importance of using every available opportunity to progress the complex timetable as quickly as possible, Cabinet unanimously agreed to accept PPAC's recommendation, and this was reflected in the resolution below.

Following discussion, it was advised that any material changes to the Local Development Scheme, arising from the recently published Ministerial statement would be reported back to a future Cabinet meeting.

Recommended to Full Council (Budget and policy framework):

- (1) That Cabinet recommends to Full Council that the revised Lewes Local Development Scheme 2023-2025 as set out at Appendix 1 to the report be adopted at the Full Council meeting on 20 February 2023
- (2) That delegated authority be given to the Director of Regeneration and Planning in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Planning and Infrastructure to make minor changes within the Local Development Scheme where necessary.

Resolved (Non-key decision):

(3) To consider providing funding for additional staff resources, to support the existing timetable and delivery of the Local Plan.

Reasons for decisions:

- (1) The Local Authorities (Functions and Responsibilities) (England) Regulations 2000 and the Council's constitution identifies that the adoption of the Local Development Scheme is a function of Full Council.
- (2) To ensure that the Local Development Scheme can be kept up to date without needing to bring minor amendments back to Full Council.

A copy of the Cabinet report and appendix are attached as **Annex 1a and 1b**.

Copies may also be downloaded on the Council's website.

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