



DEVELOPMENT PLAN PANEL

Meeting to be held in Civic Hall, Leeds, LS1 1UR on
Monday, 12th May, 2014
at 1.30 pm

Councillors

MEMBERSHIP

M Coulson
K Groves
P Gruen
J Lewis
K Mitchell
N Taggart(Chair)
N Walshaw

C Campbell

B Anderson
Vacancy

T Leadley

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A G E N D A

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1			<p>APPEALS AGAINST REFUSAL OF INSPECTION OF DOCUMENTS</p> <p>To consider any appeals in accordance with Procedure Rule 15.2 of the Access to Information Rules (in the event of an Appeal the press and public will be excluded)</p> <p>(*In accordance with Procedure Rule 15.2, written notice of an appeal must be received by the Head of Governance Services at least 24 hours before the meeting)</p>	
2			<p>EXEMPT INFORMATION - POSSIBLE EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC</p> <p>1 To highlight reports or appendices which officers have identified as containing exempt information, and where officers consider that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, for the reasons outlined in the report.</p> <p>2 To consider whether or not to accept the officers recommendation in respect of the above information.</p> <p>3 If so, to formally pass the following resolution:-</p> <p>RESOLVED – That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following parts of the agenda designated as containing exempt information on the grounds that it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the press and public were present there would be disclosure to them of exempt information, as follows:</p>	

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3			<p>LATE ITEMS</p> <p>To identify items which have been admitted to the agenda by the Chair for consideration.</p> <p>(The special circumstance shall be specified in the minutes).</p>	
4			<p>DECLARATION OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY AND OTHER INTERESTS</p> <p>To disclose or draw attention to any disclosable pecuniary interests for the purposes of Section 31 of the Localism Act 2011 and paragraphs 13-18 of the Members' Code of Conduct. Also to declare any other significant interests which the Member wishes to declare in the public interest, in accordance with paragraphs 19-20 of the Members' Code of Conduct.</p>	
5			<p>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</p> <p>To receive any apologies for absence.</p>	
6			<p>MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING</p> <p>To approve as a correct record the minutes of the Development Plan Panel meeting held on Monday 24th February 2014.</p>	5 - 8
7			<p>SCHOOLS REQUIREMENTS ARISING FROM THE SITE ALLOCATIONS PLAN</p> <p>To consider the report of the Director of City Development updating Members of the work currently being undertaken by officers from City Development and Children's Services to consider the requirements for schools provision arising from the Site Allocations Plan.</p>	9 - 12

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Development Plan Panel

Monday, 24th February, 2014

PRESENT: Councillor P Gruen in the Chair

Councillors B Anderson, C Campbell,
M Coulson, C Fox, K Groves, T Leadley,
J Lewis and N Walshaw

19 Election of Chair

In the absence of Councillor N Taggart, a nomination was sought for Chair of the meeting.

RESOLVED – That Councillor P Gruen chair the meeting.

20 Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary and Other Interests

There were no declarations of disclosable pecuniary interest.

21 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors K Mitchell and N Taggart.

Councillor M Ingham was in attendance as substitute.

22 Minutes - 11 December 2013

RESOLVED - That the minutes of the Development Plan Panel meeting held on 11 December 2013 be approved.

23 Leeds Core Strategy - Inspector's Main Modifications

The report of the Director of City Development updated Members on progress on the Core Strategy, in particular recent correspondence from the Core Strategy Inspector.

The report set out the main modifications to the plan. Responses had been overall positive and the modifications did not essentially involve changes but gave more clarity to wording. Members' attention was brought to the following issues:

- Outstanding issues relating to affordable housing and gypsy/traveller provision. These had been deferred until May to allow further consultation and further reports had been submitted to Executive Board.
- Key components of the plan that had been supported by the Inspector were highlighted.
- There had been one significant change to the plan regarding the housing requirement.

In response to Members comments and questions, the following was discussed:

Draft minutes to be approved at the meeting
to be held on Tuesday, 8th April, 2014

- Changes to the Core Strategy would be published on the Council website.
- There would not be a comprehensive greenbelt review.
- There had been a shortfall of 4,650 new dwellings since 2012. It had been requested that this be made up over the full term of the plan but it had been advised that this should be done within 5 years.

RESOLVED –

- (1) That the report be noted
- (2) That actions outlined in the report be agreed.

24 Leeds Local Development Framework - Authority Monitoring Report (AMR)

The report of the Director of City Development presented this year's Authority Monitoring Report (AMR) of the Local Development Framework (LDF). As with previous Annual Monitoring Reports, a series of core areas have been monitored and a summary of the LDF progress was provided. The 2013 AMR was appended to the report and in main related to the period April 2012 to March 2013. Where appropriate, and available, more recent information had been provided.

Issues highlighted from the report and AMR included the following:

- Growth in the city including the opening of Trinity Leeds and the Arena.
- There had been approximately 5,000 more car journeys into the city with an increase of 10,000 journeys overall.
- Housing – the overall development of new housing had been poor but there were signs of recovery and the total of new houses was the highest since 2008/09. There needed to be an improvement in the provision of affordable housing.
- Employment – There had been signs of recovery in the office market. Reference was made to the review of employment land.
- Retail and leisure – growth had been slow due to the economy and the increase in internet shopping and use of click and collect services.

It was also reported that housing/land supply was a major part of the AMR and would be reported to Development Plan Panel at a later date.

In response to Members comments and questions, the following was discussed:

- Infrastructure concerns in relation to education, transport, health and play and the impact of the Community Infrastructure Levy.
- Capacity of road networks and access to new developments.
- Concern regarding the time taken for new developments to be completed with some running over double the proposed time.
- Facilities for older people and those who don't use new technology for things such as shopping and banking.
- Employment – strength in manufacturing and financial sectors.
- Climate emissions – further information was suggested regarding fluctuations.

- Disappointment regarding the level of affordable housing provided and the need to be more robust regarding viability claims of developers.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

25 Date and Time of Next Meeting

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Report to Director of City Development

Date: 12th May 2014

Subject: School Requirements Arising from the Site Allocations Plan

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s): All Wards Across the Leeds District	X Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes X No

Summary of main issues

1. The Site Allocations Plan will provide allocations to contribute towards the delivery of the Core Strategy requirements for new housing. The provision of infrastructure is integral to the delivery of the site allocations, which includes identifying school requirements arising from the new housing.

2. Consideration of school requirements commenced with the preparation of the Core Strategy and the Issues & Options Site Allocations Plan. More detailed assessment is now being undertaken by Children’s Services to consider site specific requirements for schools provision.

3. The Development Plan Panel meeting provides an opportunity for Members to be updated on the current work being undertaken by officers from Children’s Services in association with City Development.

Recommendations

1. Members are requested to note the content of this report and agree the actions arising.

2. Purpose of this report

- 2.1 The purpose of this report is to update Members of the work currently being undertaken by officers from City Development and Children's Services to consider the requirements for schools provision arising from the Site Allocations Plan.

3. Background information

- 3.1 The Site Allocations Plan will provide site allocations to contribute towards the delivery of the Core Strategy requirements for new housing. The provision of infrastructure is integral to the delivery of the site allocations, which includes identifying school requirements arising from the new housing. Paragraph 8.11 of the Issues & Options plan (Volume 1: Plan Overview) refers to the ongoing work of obtaining comments from infrastructure providers including Children's Services and that infrastructure requirements arising from the proposed allocations will be included in detailed policy wording. With specific reference to education requirements, paragraph 8.11 states that in some cases the need for a new school may need to be part of an allocation.
- 3.2 As part of the preparation of the Core Strategy and the Issues and Options document for the Site Allocations Plan, officers from City Development and Children's Services have been working together to identify the overall number of school places arising from the Core Strategy housing requirements. Following the close of the Site Allocations Issues and Options consultation in July 2013, officers have been reviewing representations received and undertaking ongoing technical work with infrastructure providers to establish requirements. As part of this process, Children's Services are advising on the school requirements for each Housing Market Characteristic Area, identifying the additional school places arising from the housing sites, assessing the capacity of existing schools and considering options for expanding existing schools and/or identifying where there is a need to provide a new school.

4. Main issues

- 4.1 The Development Plan Panel meeting provides an opportunity for Members to be updated on the current process underway for the Publication draft plan. It also provides an opportunity for officers from Children's Services to provide a verbal response to issues being raised about the delivery of schools provision:
- i) The mechanism for expanding existing schools;
 - ii) The mechanism for delivering new schools;
 - iii) The funding arrangements.

5. Corporate Considerations

5.1 Consultation and Engagement

- 5.1.1 The Issues and Options Site Allocations Plan was subject to public consultation from 3rd June to 29th July 2013. Representations were received on the proposed sites being considered for allocation, which included comments on infrastructure

requirements. At the Publication draft stage more details will be provided on the infrastructure requirements linked to the proposed allocations, including school requirements. Consultation with Members will be undertaken prior to the public consultation.

5.2 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration

5.3 An Equality Impact Assessment Screening was undertaken on the Core Strategy Publication draft and pre-submission changes. This document sets the strategic context for the Site Allocations Plan. In addition, an EIA was completed in the preparation of the Site Allocations Issues & Options document.

5.4 Council policies and City Priorities

5.4.1 The Site Allocations Plan will deliver the housing requirements of the Core Strategy.

5.5 Resources and value for money

5.5.1 Preparation of the Site Allocations Plan is a statutory requirement and is being undertaken as part of the Local Development Framework. It is necessary to advance the Site Allocations Plan to enable the targets for new housing delivery to be achieved.

5.6 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

5.7 The plan is being prepared within the context of the LDF Regulations and statutory requirements. The plan is a Budgetary and Policy Framework document and as such will be considered by Scrutiny Board (Sustainable Economy and Culture) at the appropriate time.

5.8 Risk Management

5.8.1 The consideration of infrastructure requirements, including schools provision are a necessary part of the Site Allocations process and to delay decisions could affect the delivery of the Site Allocations Plan.

6. Conclusions

6.1 The provision for schools forms part of the infrastructure requirements arising from the Site Allocations Plan. Officers from City Development and Children's Services will continue to work together to identify where there is capacity to expand existing schools and highlight the need to provide a new school. The recommendations for the proposed housing allocations and associated schools provision for each Housing Market characteristic Area will be presented to Members at future Development Plan Panel meetings.

7. Recommendations

7.1 Members are requested to note the content of this report and agree the actions arising.

8. Background documents¹

8.1 None

¹ The background documents listed in this section are available to download from the Council's website, unless they contain confidential or exempt information. The list of background documents does not include published works.