

## **Development Plan Panel**

**Wednesday, 31st May, 2006**

**PRESENT:** Councillor D Blackburn in the Chair

Councillors J Blake, B Cleasby,  
D Congreve, T Leadley and N Taggart

### **1 Late Items**

The Chair agreed to admit one late item to the agenda, (minute 6 refers). This item was not available when the agenda was despatched and it was considered to be in the best interests of the Council and other parties concerned that the matter be drawn to Members attention without delay

### **2 Declaration of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest

### **3 Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

**RESOLVED** – That the minutes of the Development Plan Panel meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2006 be approved as a correct record

### **4 Leeds UDP Review - Representations to the Modifications and Next Step**

Members consider a report by the Director of Development providing an overview of the responses to the Proposed Modifications and to determine what further action is required to progress the UDP Review to adoption

Officers reported that a total of 131 “duly made” representations had been received to the modifications, which related to 36 modifications. Of these 20 were representations in support. An additional 2 representations expressed support for the modifications, but only in part. These had therefore been treated as objections.

There had been 3 representations classified as “not duly made” of these, one was because the representation was received outside of the deposit period. The other two cases did not relate to a proposed modification.

In passing comment Councillor Leadley expressed concern about how some of the policies would work in practice, Affordable Housing, for example, how would it be monitored.

In provide a response officers explained that there was considerable work ongoing with landlords and land management companies to address such issues

**RESOLVED** – That the Executive Board be recommended to:

- (i) Approved the contents of the submitted report

- (ii) Agree that no further modifications to the plan are appropriate
- (iii) Conclude, that having carefully considered all the representations received, that they do not give rise to a need for a further public inquiry
- (iv) Agree that the submitted schedule (Appendix 3) be published as the Council's statement and reasons in response to the representations received

Agree that the Notice of Intention to Adopt the UDP Review is published and that, following the expiry of the notice period, the Plan is submitted to Full Council with a recommendation that it is formally adopted

## **5 East & South East Leeds Area Action Plan - Alternative Options**

Members considered a report by the Director of Development on the preparation of a consultation document on the "options" for development within East and South East Leeds (EASEL) as part of the Area Action Plan (AAP) process. A previous report (July 2005) outlined the key issues for the preparation of the AAP for EASEL. Linked to these key issues, this report sets out 3 alternative Options for future development within the EASEL area to conclude the final part of the "informal" stage of the consultation process (Regulation 25). A powerpoint presentation accompanied the report; the same presentation would be used for publicising the Plan through a road show tour.

In passing comment Councillor Taggart said that he was aware that certain parts of EASEL crossed boundaries into wards where Members had not been consulted. Could all appropriate Members be notified and made aware when the road show would visit their area.

Councillor Cleasby expressed concern about the use of jargon, commenting that members of the public may find it difficult to understand.

Officers reported that letters using plain English had been circulated to residents inviting them to the road show event

Councillor Congreve referred to the proposed remodelling of different houses, commenting that it would not suit everyone. He also suggested that the density of 40 dwellings per hectare was too high and that there needs to be a degree of flexibility built in.

In providing a response officers that only selective modelling would be carried out and that new housing was not built in to the lower density

**RESOLVED** – To note the work being undertaken in the early issues and options stage of the preparation of the East and South East Leeds Area Action Plan, including consultation with the community and stakeholders and to note the next stages in the production of the AAP

## **6 The Yorkshire and Humber Plan - The Regional Spatial Strategy Review**

Correspondence from Government Office Yorkshire and Humber was circulated at the meeting. The correspondence referred to the Yorkshire and Humber Plan -The Regional Spatial Strategy Review and invited representation from the City Council to attend a First Preliminary Meeting to explain the EiP procedure and to provide an opportunity to comment on the Draft List of Matters and Participants.

The First Preliminary Meeting would take place on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2006 at 11.30am in the Metropole Hotel, King Street, Leeds 1

**RESOLVED** – That the correspondence be noted