

Report of the Director of City Development

Late addendum paper to 8 February 2017 Executive Board Agenda Item 17 - Leeds Site Allocations Plan Submission Draft Stage (including advertisement of pre-submission changes to the Plan)

Purpose of this addendum paper

Following consideration by Executive Board and full Council in 2016 for the submission of the Aire Valley Leeds Area Action Plan (AVLAAP) for independent Examination, the purpose of this report is to recommend to Executive Board, the need to grant authority to the Inspector to make any necessary Modifications to the Plan. This is a procedural matter necessary to reflect changes to the Development Plan Regulations.

Background

The Executive Board report of 27 July 2016, provides background to the scope and preparation of the AVLAAP and Executive Board recommended submission of the Plan to the Secretary of State, but did not provide a recommendation to the Inspector in regard to Main Modifications.

Main Issues

The report at Item 17 details the provisions which need to be made for the smooth running of the Submission Draft Site Allocations Plan Examination in paragraph 3.26 and includes a recommendation (v) *“that Council grant authority to the independent inspector appointed to hold the Public Examination, to make modifications to the Submission Draft Plan, pursuant to Section 20 (7C) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 as amended”*. These provisions also need to be applied to the AVLAAP.

The AVLAAP has been submitted for independent examination and examination hearings took place between 24 and 26 January 2017. The Inspector has indicated the need for a small number of Main Modifications, which are not considered to raise significant issues. These will be tabled for Executive Board consideration at a later meeting. However, for procedural and administrative purposes there is a need to give authority to the Inspector to recommend these Main Modifications to the City Council.

To that end, the provisions of paragraph 3.26 along with recommendation (v) of Item 17 are also to apply to the Submission Draft of the Leeds Aire Valley Area Action Plan.

Recommendation

Executive Board is invited to:

Recommend that Council grant authority to the independent inspector appointed to hold the Public Examination, to make modifications to the Submission Draft Aire Valley Leeds Area Action Plan, pursuant to Section 20 (7C) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 as amended.