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Report to: Inner West Community Committee

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Title: Local Plan Update Public Consultation

Purpose of report

1. To provide the Inner West Community Committee with a brief synopsis of the [Local Plan Update public consultation](#), for general promotion and to gather input from Elected Members and residents on any further engagement we can do in communities, to raise awareness and encourage participation in the consultation.

Main issues

2. This Local Plan Update involves the preparation of new and amended planning policies to do with climate change. Following the declaration of the Climate Emergency in 2019 and a review of all planning policies in the Local Plan in 2020, it was determined that we prioritise the update and amendment of existing policies and addition of new policies, to address carbon reduction in new development and to reduce the impacts of climate change locally.
3. These new and amended policies have now been drafted. Before submitting them to the Secretary of State for independent examination, public consultation is taking place. We would like to know whether stakeholders, statutory consultees and residents throughout the Leeds district support what we are trying to do, or if there are objections, the reasons for these.

4. The report and presentation are intended to provide the Inner West Community Committee with an overview of the Local Plan Update and the current public consultation, linking the discussion to local issues relevant to the specific Community Committee area.
5. The agenda item also provides Elected Members and the public with the opportunity to provide feedback to the Policy & Plans Team relating to the consultation and approaches to communication and engagement going forward.

Recommendations

6. Elected Members are asked to note the contents of the report and presentation that will be provided by officers from the Policy and Plans Team and provide any assistance deemed appropriate to promote the consultation in the Inner West Community Committee area.