

Development Plan Panel

Tuesday, 21st January, 2020

PRESENT: Councillor N Walshaw in the Chair

Councillors J McKenna, S Arif, D Collins,
L Mulherin, K Ritchie, R. Stephenson and
P Wray

40 Appeals Against Refusal of Inspection of Documents

There are no appeals against refusal.

41 Exempt Information - Possible Exclusion of the Press and Public

There was no exempt information.

42 Late Items

There were no late items.

43 Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

There were no declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests.

44 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Anderson, Campbell, C Gruen and Finnigan.

Councillor Stephenson acted as a substitute for Councillor Anderson and Councillor Wray acted as a substitute for Councillor Gruen.

45 Minutes - 12th November 2019

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the Development Plan Panel meeting held on 12th November 2019, be approved as an accurate record.

Matters Arising

Minute 35 – Members were updated on the position of the Aireborough Neighbourhood Development Forum Challenge to the SAP. Members were informed that the judge of the oral hearing had resolved to hear representations on the 5th and 6th February 2020 in court, in regard to the claim to request permission for the challenge; subject to permission being granted, this determined whether a further hearing would be needed, and should permission be refused the application would come to a close.

Minute 36 – Climate Emergency and Planning. An update on the White Rose Forest Project would be provided to Panel Members, including elements of engagement between elected members and residents.

Minute 37 – Transport Supplementary Planning Document (SPD). A Member sought clarity on re-including garages as counting towards parking spaces, in the Climate Emergency SPD. Members heard an update would be provided at a later date.

Minute 38 – Implementation of Core Strategy Policy H4. Members were informed that an update on the Authority Monitoring Report (AMR), would be provided at a future DPP meeting.

The Head of Strategic Planning informed Members that the role of Group Manager, Policy and Plans, had successfully been appointed to Adam Harvatt.

46 Local Development Scheme (Local Plan Work Programme) Update 2020

The report of the Chief Planning Officer provided the Panel with an updated Local Development Scheme (LDS) work programme for the period 2020 to 2030, setting out the administrative context for the review of the Site Allocations Plan (SAP) and update of the Local Plan.

Appended to the report included the latest draft version of the LDS.

The Head of Strategic Planning introduced the report, and explained that the Council intended to update specific parts of the Local Plan, beginning with Housing Policies of the SAP to align with the Core Strategy and other policies in regard to the climate emergency. It was highlighted that progress has been made with:

- Adoption of the SAP
- Adoption of the Core Strategy Selective Review (CSSR)
- 8 made Neighbourhood Plans
- A Hot Food Takeaway Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)

The submitted report (at 9.2) set out the Neighbourhood Areas that had been designated. Members were informed that good progress had been made on the Neighbourhood Plans (NPs), particularly those in the Inner Areas.

In responding to a query regarding Policy H10 Minimum Space Standards of the Core Strategy, Members were informed of the intention to provide the Panel with an update at the DPP to be held in March 2020.

A suggestion to reflect policies regarding tree planting and biodiversity within the CSSR was discussed. Officers agreed that a focus on implementing climate emergency policies in the context of a climate declaration could be added to the Local Development Scheme.

Clarity was sought on Neighbourhood Areas being in two wards, and Members noted that this was due to ward boundaries falling within different Housing Market Characteristic Areas (HMCAs).

The Article 4 Direction Plan was discussed in regard to policy compliant schemes. Officers explained that Article 4 did not form part of the Local Development Plan, and would be taken into consideration as part of a wider work programme, including requests to extend its geographical scope.

A suggestion for a minor amendment was made to the timescales of the review due date to be changed to March 2020, and received support from Members of the Panel.

The report was welcomed by Members.

RESOLVED – To note the contents of the updated LDS, with the inclusion of the suggestions as set out above, prior to the LDS being placed on the Council's web-site.

47 Date and Time of Next Meeting

RESOLVED – To note the date and time of the next meeting as 18th February 2020 at 1.30 p.m.

(The meeting concluded at 13:55)