

Report to Cabinet

Subject: Gedling Borough Local Development Scheme September 2016

Date: 29th September 2016

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Wards Affected

All

Purpose

To seek approval from Cabinet to bring the revised Local Development Scheme appended to this report into effect from 30th September 2016.

Key Decision

This is not a key decision.

Background

The Local Development Scheme sets out the Council's project plan for the preparation of the Local Plan and for the preparation of amendments to the Policies Map which must be produced alongside the Local Plan. The Local Development Scheme is a statutory requirement under s.15 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004. The Aligned Core Strategy adopted in September 2014 forms Part 1 of the Local Plan and the Local Planning Document for Gedling Borough will be Part 2 of the Local Plan after it is adopted. The Local Development Scheme lists the timetable for the remaining stages of the emerging Local Planning Document and Policies Map.

There is a requirement for the Council to have an up to date Local Development Scheme in place at the time of submission of the Part 2 Local Plan and slight revisions are required to the current timetable. The Local Planning Document was published for consultation between May and July 2016 according to the current time table. However, due to the number of representations received and the need to comply with regulations such as the Data Protection Act there has been slight slippage in the programme by a few weeks. The target for submission of the Local Planning Document to the Planning Inspectorate has

been put back 1 month to October 2016.

Despite this slight slippage in the timetable when compared to other Councils in the Nottingham Core Housing Market Area, Gedling Borough is on target to be the first one to submit its Part 2 Local Plan for examination followed by Nottingham City Council later in the autumn. Ashfield District, Broxtowe Borough and Rushcliffe Borough are likely to submit their Part 2 Local Plans over the course of 2017.

The examination of the Local Planning Document starts on submission with hearings likely to commence within about 10 weeks although this is subject to agreement with the Planning Inspectorate. Following the hearings the Inspector will produce a report although the timing of this will depend on whether modifications are required to the Local Planning Document which will need to be advertised. It is anticipated that the Local Planning Document will be adopted around July 2017.

Proposal

The Localism Act 2011 amends section 15 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act and provides that the local planning authority must specify the date at which the scheme is to come into effect and that the detail should be made available to the public.

It is proposed to bring the Local Development Scheme (appended to this report) into effect from 30th September 2016 and the revised scheme will be made available on Gedling Borough Council's website.

Alternative Options

Not to specify a date upon which the revised Local Development Scheme will come into effect. The production and bringing into effect of a Local Development Scheme is a statutory requirement and is required to be in place at the time of submission of a development plan document.

Financial Implications

None

Appendices

Gedling Borough Local Development Scheme 2016 – 2019 (September 2016)

Background Papers

None

Recommendation(s)

THAT Cabinet:

- (a) Approves the revised Local Development Scheme appended to this report and agrees that it shall come into effect on 30th September 2016.**

Reasons for Recommendations

An up to date Local Development Scheme is required to be in place at the time of submission of development plan documents.