

Report to: Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Subject: Formal consultation on the Local Planning Document – Issues and Options.

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1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

To invite Scrutiny Members and non - Executive Members to comment on the Local Planning Document Issues and Options and the separate Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report as part of the formal consultation.

2. BACKGROUND

The Constitution requires that new policies or changes to policies which fall within those listed under the Budget and Policy Framework are included in the Forward Plan and notified to the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee as part of the formal consultation process.

The Chair is notified at the point the Policy or Strategy is included in the Forward Plan and, when the document is ready for consultation, it is circulated to all members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee or tabled at an Overview Scrutiny Committee meeting, if a meeting is immediately pending.

The attached report sought approval from Cabinet on 12th September to go out for consultation on the Local Planning Document Issues and Options and the Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report. The consultation period runs from 21st October to 16th December 2013.

The full documents relating to this and other current Planning consultations can be accessed using the following link:

<http://www.gedling.gov.uk/planningbuildingcontrol/planningpolicy/>

3. PROPOSAL

It is proposed that Scrutiny and non-Executive Members consider the Local Planning Document Issues and Options and the Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report and put forward any comments and recommendations at this meeting.

Scrutiny responses will then either be appended to the final Cabinet report, or a paragraph included within the report which details the Scrutiny responses. Cabinet will take into account any responses received from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee before making a decision.

4. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that Members:

- i) Put forward relevant comments and/or recommendations on the Local Planning Document Issues and Options and the Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report.

5. APPENDICES

Appendix A: Local Planning Document Issues and Options: Report to Cabinet 12th September 2013.