

WAVERLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL

JOINT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - 21 NOVEMBER 2016

EXECUTIVE – 29 NOVEMBER 2016

Title:

THE SCOPE OF LOCAL PLAN PART 2: NON-STRATEGIC SITES AND POLICIES

[Portfolio Holder: Cllr Brian Adams]

[Wards Affected: All]

Summary and purpose:

Local Plan Part 1 is the first part of the review of the 2002 Waverley Borough Local Plan. Local Plan Part 2, which will contain day to day development management policies, together with non-strategic allocations of land, will be the second part of the process in replacing the 2002 Local Plan. The Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee was asked to consider the scope of the Local Plan Part 2 at its meeting on 21 November 2016 and pass any comments to the Executive, the details of which will be circulated separately.

How this report relates to the Council's Corporate Priorities:

The preparation of Local Plan Part 2 will support the Corporate Priorities in relation to Community Wellbeing and Environment.

Financial Implications:

The Council has agreed a supplementary estimate of £200,000 to fund the additional resources necessary to support the acceleration of the production of Local Plan Part 2.

Legal Implications:

There are no legal implications arising specifically from this report.

Introduction

1. The review of the 2002 Waverley Borough Local Plan is taking place in two parts:-
 - Local Plan Part 1: Strategic Policies and Sites; and
 - Local Plan Part 2: Non-strategic Policies and Sites
2. The Council has recently published Local Plan Part 1 for public consultation. Once the comments have been considered as a result of this consultation, the Council will submit Local Plan Part 1 to the Secretary of State for its formal examination.
3. In July 2016 the Council agreed the new Local Development Scheme (LDS). This sets out the timetable for the completion of Local Plan Part 1 and the provisional timetable for the preparation of Local Plan Part 2. In particular, the key milestones for the preparation of Local Plan Part 2, as set out in the LDS are:

- Aug – Sept 2017: Consultation on preferred options and draft policies (Regulation 18)
- April 2018: Publication and Regulation 19 consultation
- July 2018: Submission for examination
- March 2019: Adoption

4. Officers have already commenced work on the preparation of Local Plan Part 2, particularly in relation to the scope of the document. The intention is to progress the production of Local Plan Part 2 as quickly as reasonably possible. In particular, much of the work to prepare the draft of Local Plan Part 2 will be taking place alongside the examination of Local Plan Part 1. Given that some of the policies and site allocations contained within Local Plan Part 2 are directly linked to the strategy set out in Local Plan Part 1, progress with the work on Local Plan Part 2 will clearly be dependent on the progress of Local Plan Part 1 through examination.
5. A further consideration that will affect the scope and potentially the timetable for Local Plan Part 2 will be progress with the various neighbourhood plans that are being prepared for a number of the towns and parishes in Waverley. The neighbourhood plans in preparation are at various stages. These include the Farnham Neighbourhood Plan, which has already reached the examination stage. The intention is that Local Plan Part 1 will set out the overall strategy and in some cases the specific housing allocation to inform the development of neighbourhood plans and the potential allocation of sites to deliver the development needs of the town/parish. In such cases, there may not be the need for allocations and some development management policies in Local Plan Part 2, if the related neighbourhood plan is dealing with these matters.

The Scope of Local Plan Part 2

6. Attached as Annexe 1 to this report is a table setting out the key matters that Local Plan Part 2 is likely to cover. This is not an exhaustive list and there may be the need to address other matters as a result of any changes to national policy/guidance.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Executive agrees the scope of Local Plan Part 2 as set out in Annexe 1 to this report.

Background Papers

There are no background papers (as defined by Section 100D(5) of the Local Government Act 1972) relating to this report.

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