

WAVERLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE - LOCAL PLAN ITEM ONLY (ITEM 9) - 29 NOVEMBER
2016

SUBMITTED TO THE EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING – 29 NOVEMBER 2016

(To be read in conjunction with the Agenda for the Meeting)

95. WAVERLEY BOROUGH LOCAL PLAN PART 1: SUBMISSION (Agenda item 9)
- 95.1 The Executive considered the report on this matter, which had been circulated to all members of the Council and which was supplemented also by the following documents:-
- Observations from the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 21 November 2016
 - The GL Hearn response to representations on the SHMA
 - A breakdown of affordable housing need
 - Additional proposed minor modifications to the Local Plan
 - An update on the Infrastructure Delivery Schedule
- 95.2 Members thanked officers for all of their hard work pulling together all of the papers ready to meet this stage in the process. There had been lots of input from the Planning Special Interest Group and the Leader thanked its members who had contributed and played the role of a critical friend at times which had been crucial in moving forward. Members recognised that the time had come to make a decision and ensure the plan is submitted before Christmas, to enable the Council to take control and help to map out the future for the towns and parishes in Waverley.
- 95.3 There were very lengthy reports for consideration, with updated versions answering questions raised at the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee the previous week.
- 95.4 Cllr Deanus informed the Executive that he would be abstaining from the vote and the Leader clarified that a recorded vote would be taken at the Council meeting later in the evening to ensure transparency to local residents. Cllr Edwards noted that there were many local resident concerns but it was important to have a local plan in place and almost all options had been exhausted to arrive at the current situation. The plan covers a huge variety of topics and there were many different opinions to be included, but the time had come for the plan to be submitted and for the Inspector to do their job.
- 95.5 Members also congratulated the Leader and the Planning Portfolio Holder who had worked hard to drive forward the plan to reach this point. It was imperative to have a Local Plan in place to enable houses to be built in the hope that local families and future generations had the opportunity to live in the area. There were concerns about sustainability and infrastructure provision, and ensuring that development was provided in the correct locations across the borough. Members had made sure that an evidence based Plan was forthcoming to reduce the likelihood of any government intervention in the future.

95.6 Members had questioned the infrastructure delivery plan and it was clarified that this would continue to be updated as development comes forward.

95.7 The Leader proposed minor amendments to Recommendation 2, which were supported by the Executive and are included below. The Executive accordingly

RECOMMENDS that

- 1. the Waverley Borough Local Plan Part I be submitted for Examination, together with the schedule of proposed modifications; and**
- 2. the Head of Planning Services, in consultation with the Leader or Planning Portfolio Holder, be authorised to make any necessary changes to the schedule of modifications arising from the updating of the supporting evidence base (including the water cycle study and Infrastructure Delivery Plan) prior to the submission.**

Chairman