

WAVERLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Recommendations of the Special Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on Monday 13th December 2021

The Committee **RESOLVED**:

1. That the Head of Planning and Economic Development will provide an estimate of what proportion of the Royal School site is currently covered by buildings and hard standing in time for Executive on the 14th December 2021.

3. That the Head of Planning and Economic Development will confirm in time for Executive on the 14th December 2021, whether, in light of Mr Baudry's question, Haslemere Town Council are content with the characterisation of their views in the report.

4. To recommend that at a later date the Executive should consider developing an equestrian policy to protect the unique quality of Waverley's rural settlements

5. To recommend that the Executive and Council have due regard to the following questions when debating the recommendations in section 2 of the report:

a) Whether an appropriate assessment is required in order to comply with habitats regulations?

b) Whether the likelihood that future development at Royal School will exceed the footprint of existing buildings and hard surfaces at the site would threaten the setting of the neighbouring countryside?

c) Whether the Red Court site being nearer the settlement boundary and being more walkable from Haslemere makes it a more appropriate site than the Royal School? Do these factors impinge on Waverley's commitment to sustainability?

d) Whether the Executive and the Full Council can have confidence that the Royal School (including its playing fields) will be able to relocate to the Farnham Road and make the site available within the plan period?

e) Whether the cost of providing sewage infrastructure at the Royal School raises viability concerns which might impact on its deliverability?

f) Whether the Council has a duty to co-operate with East Hampshire District and Grayshott Parish Councils regarding the Royal School site?

g) Whether either, both or neither the Royal School and Red Court sites should be treated as brownfield and/or previously developed sites?

h) Whether the requirement identified by Acorn Consultants to provide a SANG to mitigate the impact of development at the Royal School adversely impacts the deliverability of that site?

i) Whether screening is an adequate response to the potential loss of green space on the Royal School site?

j) Whether allocating the Royal School sets an unwelcome precedent about building in AONB?

k) Whether a given course of action will delay adoption of LPP2 as a whole and, therefore, reduce the Council's control over development within the Borough?