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KIRKLEES COUNCIL

CABINET

Wednesday 12th October 2016

Present: Councillor David Sheard (Chair)
Councillor Shabir Pandor
Councillor Peter McBride
Councillor Naheed Mather
Councillor Musarrat Khan
Councillor Erin Hill
Councillor Viv Kendrick
Councillor Masood Ahmed
Councillor Graham Turner

73 Membership of the Committee

All Members were present.

74 Minutes of previous meeting

RESOLVED - That the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 20 September 2016 be approved as a correct record.

75 Interests

No interest were declared.

76 Admission of the Public

It was noted that all Agenda Items would be considered in public session.

77 Deputations/Petitions

Cabinet received a deputation from Paul Burr, Director of VI Promotions, who provided information on the Junk Tooth and Foodle projects within the local communities, and particularly the provision of dental care for children in the Dewsbury area, and sought support for the projects.

RESOLVED - The Leader requested that details of the projects be provided in writing in order that the information could be circulated to Cabinet Members.

78 Public Question Time

No questions were asked.

79 Member Question Time

No questions were asked.

80 Publication and Submission of the Local Plan

Cabinet received a report which set out a request for Member approval of the Local Plan for the purposes of Submission to the Secretary of State. The report advised that, since the withdrawal of the Kirklees Core Strategy from examination in 2013, work had been undertaken on a Local Plan comprising (i) a spatial vision (ii) land use objectives (iii) strategic policies (iv) development management policies and (v) a full suite of site allocations and land designations, which would run until 2031. Appendix 1 to the report set out the main stages of making a plan, as defined by National Planning Policy Guidance, and it was noted that the 'Publication and Submission' stage had now been reached.

Cabinet noted that the Local Plan had been subject to revision to take account of comments submitted during the consultation stage of the 'Draft Local Plan', that had been undertaken between November 2015 and February 2016. The report provided a breakdown of the comments and petitions that had been received in response to the consultation.

Cabinet noted that Officers considered that robust evidence to support the Local Plan was in place and included (i) key evidence on housing requirements, housing mix and affordability (ii) the need and market demand for land for jobs to meet the Economic Strategy (iii) accommodation needs for travellers (iv) the need for land for mineral extraction and waste management (v) green belt (vi) land for open space, sports and leisure and (vii) capacity for new retail and leisure.

The considered report set out (i) a summary of the Local Plan Strategy, Vision and Objectives (ii) details of meeting the needs and requirements of Kirklees (iii) a summary of Local Plan policies (iv) the Local Plan evidence base (v) the Duty to Co-

Operate process (vi) consultation on the Publication Draft Local Plan and (v) the process for submitting the Local Plan to the Secretary of State.

RESOLVED –

(1) That Council be advised that Cabinet support the Local Plan for publication and submission.

(2) That approval be given to the schedule appended to the considered report, setting out the proposed arrangements for the publication of the Draft Local Plan for public consultation.

(3) That authority be delegated to the Director of Place, in consultation with the Leader and Deputy Leader, to put in place any minor amendments to the consultation arrangements set out in the schedule appended to the considered report, if necessary.

81 Consultation on the Community Infrastructure Levy - Draft Charging Schedule

Cabinet received a report which sought approval to undertake consultation on the Community Infrastructure (CIL) Levy Draft Charging Schedule and proceed to examination alongside the Draft Local Plan. The Draft Charging Schedule rates and charging zones were set out within Appendix A of the considered report. It was noted that future governance arrangements for distributing Community Infrastructure Levy revenue would be determined at a later date once the charge rates had been subject to independent examination.

The report explained that the CIL was effectively a development tax that could be implemented to assist in paying for new infrastructure that is needed to support new development. Cabinet noted that the Council had commissioned consultants to gather evidence across Kirklees regarding the current viability of different types of development, and that the results had provided evidence for determining the draft charges. The report advised that the infrastructure evidence supporting the Publication Draft Local Plan, in the form of the Infrastructure Delivery Plan and Infrastructure Delivery Plan Addendum, provided the justification for establishing the CIL charge to help pay for the infrastructure types and schemes identified.

Cabinet noted that, if the Charging Schedule was found to meet the appropriate tests following its Examination in Public, it would then be necessary to make a final decision regarding the CIL charge rates, and that the decision to adopt charge rates after the Examination in Public would be taken at a meeting of Council.

RESOLVED -

(1) That Council be advised that Cabinet supports the Draft Charging Schedule for consultation and submission to examination.

(2) That approval be given to the schedule set out within the considered report, setting out the proposed consultation arrangements for the Draft Charging Schedule.

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(3) That authority be delegated to the Director of Place, in consultation with the Leader and Deputy Leader, to put in place any minor amendments to the consultation arrangements as set out in the considered report.