

RECENT GOVERNMENT CONSULTATIONS ON PLANNING ISSUES

Local Planning and Environment Advisory Committee – 24 March 2015

Report of Chief Planning Officer

Status: For information

Key Decision: No

Portfolio Holder Cllr. Robert Piper

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Recommendation to Local Planning and Environment Advisory Committee: That the Committee notes the recent government consultations on Planning issues and the Council's responses.

Reason for recommendation: To advise the Committee of the recent government consultations on Planning issues responded to by the Council.

Introduction and Background

- 1 Councillor Piper has requested that recent consultation responses on Planning issues be reported to the Committee for their information.
- 2 Since November 2014 the Council has responded to 8 government consultations on Planning related issues:
 - Housing standards review technical consultation (November 2014)
 - Planning and travellers consultation (November 2014)
 - Transport for London Bakerloo Line extension consultation (December 2014)
 - Airports Commission preferred options consultation (January 2015)
 - Starter homes for first time buyers consultation (February 2015)
 - London Borough Bromley consultation on Biggin Hill change in operational hours (March 2015)
 - Building more homes on brownfield land consultation (March 2015)
 - Speeding up negotiations on Section 106 planning obligations (March 2015)

- 3 The full responses are available to view on the Portfolio Holder Decisions library page of the Council's website:
<http://cds.sevenoaks.gov.uk/ecCatDisplay.aspx?bcr=1&sch=doc>.

Other Options Considered and/or Rejected

It is not essential that the recent consultation responses are reported to the Committee, as they are available online, however the responses may be of interest to Committee members.

Key Implications

Financial

None.

Legal Implications and Risk Assessment Statement

None.

Equality Assessment

The decisions recommended through this paper have a remote or low relevance to the substance of the Equality Act. There is no perceived impact on end users.

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