Decision Number: 59 (2014/15)

## **Portfolio Holder Executive Decision Statement**

The Local Authority (Executive Arrangements)(Meetings and Access to Information)(England) Regulations 2012

### Subject:

The government has released a consultation on boosting brownfield development, which sets out proposals that require local authorities to produce local development orders for identified brownfield sites suitable for housing.

#### **Details of Decision taken**

To agree the wording and send the proposed response to the DCLG 'Building more homes on brownfield land' consultation.

#### **Reason for Decision**

To ensure that the Council's views on the proposals are taken into account.

### **All Documents considered:**

DCLG 'Building more homes on brownfield land' consultation January 2015, and Sevenoaks District Council's consultation response.

# Details of any alternative options considered and rejected by the Member when making the Decision:

Sevenoaks District Council could choose not to respond to this consultation, however this could result in the Council's concerns not being considered by the government.

### Financial implications

There are no financial implications of submitting the consultation response. However, if the government's proposals are eventually implemented, the Council would see a reduction in planning application fee income.

### Legal Implications and Risk Assessment Statement

N/A

**Equality Impacts** (Consideration of impacts under the Public Sector Equality Duty)
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.

## Local Member (s), other Portfolio Holders and/or Directors/Heads of Service Consulted

All members of the Local Planning and Environment Advisory Committee.

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### **Details of any conflicts of interest**

a) declared by any executive member who is consulted by the Decision Taker

N/A

b) and any details of dispensations granted by the Chief Executive in respect of any declared conflict

N/A

Decision taken by:	Portfolio Holder for Local Planning and Environment
Signed by Portfolio Holder	-e
Date of Decision	10/03/15
Record made by:	George Lewis
Date of record:	12 March 2015