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Portfolio Holder Executive Decision Statement

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

Subject:

The Government released a consultation into "Changes to National Planning Policy". The proposals include (but not limited to) changes to the affordable housing definition, the provision of Starter Homes, the use of unviable or underused brownfield land and increasing housing densities within commuter hubs.

Details of Decision taken

To agree the wording and send the proposed response to the DCLG "Changes to National Planning Policy" consultation

Reason for Decision

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

All Documents considered:

SDC "Proposed Changes to National Planning Policy" response and consultation material [available from https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/national-planning-policy-consultation-on-proposed-changes]

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

The Council could not have responded to the consultation. This was rejected as future decisions could impact the District.

Financial implications

None

Legal Implications and Risk Assessment Statement None

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.

However, the consultation refers to the Equality Act 2010, under the Question 2 and a response has been given. Members are advised to note this response and be

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aware that policy may change a	as a result of the outcome of the consultation.
Local Member (s), other Portfolio Holders and/or Directors/Heads of Service Consulted Cllr R. Piper (Portfolio Holder for Planning) Cllr M. Lowe (Portfolio Holder for Housing and Health)	
Details of any conflicts of interest a) declared by any executive member who is consulted by the Decision Taker	
b) and any details of dispensations granted by the Chief Executive in respect of any declared conflict	
Decision taken by:	Portfolio Holder for Planning & Portfolio Holder for Housing and Health
Signed by Portfolio Holder	
Date of Decision	18.02.2016
Record made by:	S. Taylor
Date of record:	24.02.2016