LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK - ANNUAL MONITORING REPORT

LDF Advisory Group - 31 January 2013

Report of the: Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Community and Planning

Services

Status: For information

Also considered by: None

Key Decision: No

Executive Summary:

The Annual Monitoring Report (AMR) (Appendix A) analyses the progress towards meeting the LDF milestones and targets as set out in the Local Development Scheme (LDS) and also assesses whether or not the LDF policies are functioning properly and when necessary, will identify appropriate action. The October meeting of the Advisory Group considered the draft report and requested that the finalised version be presented to this meeting.

This report supports the Key aims of a green environment and safe and caring communities of the Community Plan

Portfolio Holder Cllr. Mrs Davison

Head of Service Group Planning Manager – Alan Dyer

Recommendation to the LDF Advisory Group: That the report be noted.

Introduction

- The AMR is central to the new Local Development Framework (LDF) system. It reports on progress towards meeting the LDF milestones and targets as set out in the Local Development Scheme (LDS) and also assesses whether or not the LDF policies are functioning properly and when necessary, will identify appropriate action.
- The AMR is usually prepared by December each year. The AMR covering the period 1 April 2011 31 March 2012 was approved by Cabinet in November 2012.
- This report is to accompany the finalised version of the document for information as requested at the LDF Advisory Group Meeting in October 2012.

Changes since interim report

There have been no significant changes to the interim statistics reported to the LDF Advisory Group. The only change was the 5 year land supply has been reduced from 1522 to 1472 as the phasing of a site has been updated and is no longer phased within the first 5 years of the housing land supply. However, the 5 year land supply remains significantly above the requirement of 867 units.

Other Options Considered and/or Rejected

5. Not applicable

Key Implications

Financial

6. The cost of producing the AMR will be met within the approved LDF budgets.

Community Impact and Outcomes

7. The AMR assesses whether or not the LDF policies are functioning properly and when necessary, will identify appropriate action.

Legal, Human Rights etc.

8. There are no issues arising from producing the AMR itself, however the data contained within it may reveal "equality issues" which the Council will then be in a position to address.

Resource (non-financial)

9. None

Equality Impacts

10. There are no issues arising from producing the AMR itself, however the data contained within it may reveal "equality issues" which the Council will then be in a position to address.

Conclusions

11. The AMR is an important element of the LDF and must be produced each year by the Council and be made publically available.

Risk Assessment Statement

12. The AMR is an important element of the LDF and failure to publish an annual will have implications for the performance of the Council.

Appendices: The Local Development Framework Annual

Monitoring Report 2012

Background Papers: The Core Strategy Adopted 2011

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