

Decision Number: 37 (2014/15)

Portfolio Holder Executive Decision Statement

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

Subject:

Public consultation dates and the price of the printed documents for the Gypsy and Traveller Supplementary Site Options Consultation document, the Swanley Neighbourhood Area Designation and the Otford Village Design Statement.

Details of Decision taken

To agree public consultation dates for the Gypsy and Traveller Supplementary Site Options, the Swanley Neighbourhood Area Designation and the Otford Village Design Statement for consultation from the 27th November 2014 for 8 weeks, ending on 22nd January 2015. This is an extended consultation which reflects the Christmas and New Year period.

To agree the price of £10 for a printed copy of the Gypsy and Traveller Supplementary Site Options document and £2 for the Swanley Neighbourhood Area Designation and £2.50 for the Otford Village Design Statement document.

Reason for Decision

This decision is to agree the start date and duration of the public consultation for all three proposals and the price of the printed copy for the documents.

All Documents considered:

(Please attach any reports including recommendations for action and list all others)

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

Consultation timeframes of 6 or 7 weeks were considered, to reflect similar consultations. The proposed 8 week consultation timeframe reflects taking the Christmas and New Year period into account for collecting representations.

Financial implications

The Council can receive funding from Central Government to assist in the preparation of Neighbourhood Plans when a Neighbourhood Area is designated. This funding can only be applied for following the consultation and designation of the area and therefore any delay in the consultation may delay the funding.

Legal Implications and Risk Assessment Statement

N/A

Equality Impacts (Consideration of impacts under the Public Sector Equality Duty) this can

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Question	Answer	Explanation / Evidence
a. Does the decision being made or recommended through this paper have potential to disadvantage or discriminate against different groups in the community?	No	There are no equality impacts as a result of the decision.
b. Does the decision being made or recommended through this paper have the potential to promote equality of opportunity?	No	
c. What steps can be taken to mitigate, reduce, avoid or minimise the impacts identified above?		N/A

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

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 Local Planning and Environment

Signed by Portfolio Holder

Date of Decision

18 November 2014

Record made by:

George Lewis

Date of record:

18 November 2014