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Decision Number: 08 - 2024/25

Portfolio Holder Executive Decision Statement



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

Subject: Approval of the formal SDC response to the MHCLG Consultation - Proposed reforms to the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and other changes to the planning system
Details of Decision taken To approve the formal representation by Sevenoaks District Council in response to the government consultation on - Proposed reforms to the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and other changes to the planning system
Reason for Decision Central government is consulting on national reforms to plan-making. This decision is to allow SDC to respond to this consultation
All Documents considered: Please see attached SDC response to the consultation. Full details of the consultation are available at: https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/proposed-reforms-to-the-national-planning-policy-framework-and-other-changes-to-the-planning-system/proposed-reforms-to-the-national-planning-policy-framework-and-other-changes-to-the-planning-system
Details of any alternative options considered and rejected by the Member when making the Decision: N/A
Financial implications: The production of the Local Plan will be funded from the Local Plan reserve. The cost of any additional work required to comply with the revised NPPF, once published, will be sought to be recompensed from the government, as outlined in the consultation response.
Legal Implications and Risk Assessment Statement: N/A

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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 Chief Officer/Head of Service Consulted Cabinet Councillor Roderick Hogarth (Leader) Councillor Perry Cole (Deputy Leader) Councillor Julia Thornton Councillor Lesley Dyball Councillor Kevin Maskell Councillor Michael Horwood Councillor Irene Roy Deputy Portfolio holder for Development and Conservation Councillor Simon Reay Chief Executive – Pav Ramewal Deputy Chief Executive and Chief Officer – Richard Morris Other teams/organisations consulted included Development Management, Housing Policy, Economic Development and Rural Housing Solutions.	
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 Development and Conservation
Signed by Portfolio Holder	
Date of Decision	<i>19th September 2024</i>
Record made by:	
Date of record:	<i>20/9/24</i>

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