

LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PANEL

Meeting to be held on Thursday 18 October 2012 at 2.30 pm

Council Chamber, Williton

AGENDA

1. **Apologies for Absence**

2. **Minutes**

Minutes of the Local Development Panel held on 13 June 2012, to be approved and signed as a correct record – **SEE ATTACHED**.

3. **Declarations of Interest**

To receive and record any declarations of interest in respect of any matters included on the Agenda for consideration at this Meeting.

4. **Public Participation**

The Chairman to advise the Committee of any Agenda items on which members of the public have requested to speak and advise those members of the public present of the details of the Council's public participation scheme.

5. **West Somerset Local Plan to 2032: Preferred Strategy Response Report**

To consider the Report No. WSC 135/12, to be presented by Principal Planning Officer (Policy) Toby Clempson – **SEE ATTACHED**.

The West Somerset Local Plan to 2032 was subject to an eight week period of community and stakeholder engagement between 23 March and 16 May 2012. The Appendices to this report set out a summary of the responses received and also the main issues which have been raised during the frontloading stage of the Plan's preparation. The report is an important step in the preparation of the formal Publication Draft of the Plan. Consideration of the responses received must be made in the light of the significant national planning policy changes made through the Localism Act 2011 and the National Planning Policy Framework (published during the Local Plan consultation period on 27 March 2012), the subject of a separate report to this Meeting.

6. **Detailed Implications of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) for the emerging West Somerset Local Plan**

To consider the Report No. WSC 136/12, to be presented by Principal Planning Officer (Policy) Toby Clempson – **SEE ATTACHED**.

The purpose of the report is to inform Members further to the report to the 13 June 2012 Local Development Panel of the detailed implications of changes to national planning policy guidance and advice issued by central government for future development plan creation and planning policy formulation in West Somerset outside of the Exmoor National Park, and to recommend appropriate steps to address these changes in preparing a sound Local Plan.

7. Future Strategic Development : Where could it go?

To consider the Report No. WSC 137/12, to be presented by Principal Planning Officer (Policy) Martin Wilsher – **SEE ATTACHED**.

The purpose of the report is to inform Members of the implications of the changes to the development planning process as a consequence of the publication of the Government's National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and its impact on the strategy and policies that are being developed in the emerging West Somerset Local Plan 2012 – 2032. The consequences of these changes in relation to the supply of land and delivery of development through the forward planning process have been considered in the attached document to the Report which is to form part of the 'evidence-base' for the emerging (new) Local Plan.

8. Proposed Supplementary Planning Document – Design Guide and Major Developments

To consider the Report No. WSC 138/12, to be presented by Planning Manager – **SEE ATTACHED**.

The purpose of the report is to seek Member approval for work to commence on the production of a Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) initially entitled – Design Guide and Major Developments. The report sets out the reasons for proceeding with this work, the links back to the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and the emerging Local Plan 2012 – 2032 (the New Local Plan), provides an overview of the expected content and the process to be followed over the next few months.

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