

# WOMEN'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE 12 APRIL 2005

Report of the Director of Development and Cultural Services

### **Local Development Scheme**

#### RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 To note the report.
- 1.2 To note that preparation of the Statement of Community Involvement will be able to take into account the role of the Council's Advisory Committee.

#### SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 2.1 The Local Development Scheme (LDS) is a schedule of Local Development Documents which a Council proposes to introduce, as required by the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.
- 2.2 It forms part of the new Local Development Framework and, in effect, is a Project Plan for development of the Local Development Framework.
- 2.3 The Council is obliged to submit the LDS to the Government via Government Office for the East Midlands, which it did on 17 March. The Government now has until 14 April to decide whether to direct the Council to change the LDS or extend its period of consideration. Subsequently, it will be reviewed and 'rolled forward' each year as part of the Government's monitoring requirements. The full LDS can be seen on the Council's web site at <a href="https://www.derby.gov.uk/HiRes/Living/Planning/Local+Development+Scheme.">www.derby.gov.uk/HiRes/Living/Planning/Local+Development+Scheme.</a>

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**List of appendices:** Appendix 1 - LDS Introduction

Appendix 2 - Summary of Local Development Scheme

## Appendix 1

- 1.1 The Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 has introduced a new system for preparing land use plans. The new system includes the replacement of a single city wide local plan with a portfolio of documents the Local Development Framework (LDF). The first step towards this is the production of a document known as the Local Development Scheme (LDS). This is a three-year rolling programme, reviewable annually, for the preparation of the various planning documents that will make up the LDF.
- 1.2 The Act requires local authorities to have submitted their first LDS by the end of March this year. Cabinet approved our draft LDS in November last year for submission, although it was not formally submitted until 17 March this year. The reason for this was a need to review the programme of Minerals and Waste documents to be prepared jointly with Derbyshire County Council following revised guidance from Government. Government now has until 14 April to decide whether to direct the Council to change the LDS or extend their period of consideration. It is hoped that extensive consultation with GOEM during its preparation will help this process.
- 1.3 The LDF must be reviewed and 'rolled forward' each year to ensure a three year programme is always set out. Progress on the previous years programme also needs to be assessed as part of the monitoring arrangements of the new system.
- 1.4 There is provision in the Act to 'save' all or part of an existing local plan for a period as part of the LDF. The current City of Derby Local Plan Review is at an advanced stage and can proceed to adoption under the regulations of the previous system. The draft LDS indicates that the CDLP Review will initially be saved, but elements of it will be progressively replaced by new planning documents as these come forward in accordance with the programme.
- 1.5 The documents proposed in the LDS include a Statement of Community Involvement (SCI), Development Plan Documents (DPDs) and Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs). Under the Act, DPDs, together with the Regional Spatial Strategy (RSS), comprise the Development Plan. The LDS documents include the minerals and waste LDDs that are to be prepared jointly with Derbyshire County Council.
- 1.6 Future DPDs will include a 'core strategy' for the City, an Action Plan for the area to the east of the City Centre and a site allocations document for housing and other development to achive more sustainable communities. A number of Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs) are also proposed to add further detail or guidance to DPDs. The various types of documents, and their relationship to the LDF as a whole is shown on Slide 3 of the powerpoint presentation attached as Appendix 2. The programme for preparing the documents is set out on Slide 6. The full programme is set out in the LDS which can be seen on the Council's web site at <a href="https://www.derby.gov.uk/HiRes/Living/Planning/Local+Development+Scheme">www.derby.gov.uk/HiRes/Living/Planning/Local+Development+Scheme</a>.