



COUNCIL CABINET

Report of the Director of Development and Cultural Services

Local Development Scheme- resolution to bring LDS into effect

RECOMMENDATION

1.1 To resolve that the City Council's Local Development Scheme shall have effect from 17 May 2005.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 2.1 At its meeting of 9 November 2004, Cabinet approved a draft Local Development Scheme (LDS) for submission to the Secretary of State via Government Office. It also authorised the Director of Development and Cultural Services, in conjunction with the appropriate Cabinet Member, to make minor amendments to the draft Scheme to take on board further advice from Government. The LDS sets out the programme of planning documents that the City Council intends to prepare over a three year period.
- 2.2 Discussions on matters of detail were held with Government Office and a number of amendments made before formal submission on 17 March this year. A minor amendment, omitting reference to the preparation of an old style Supplementary Planning Guidance document, was made after submission at the request of GOEM. These negotiations have proved useful as the Secretary of State is happy with the finalised Scheme and has not issued any direction for us to change it.
- 2.3 The Local Development Regulations of 2004 require the Council to formally resolve 'that the scheme shall have effect' and to give a date from which it comes in to effect. I am recommending that this is the date of this Cabinet meeting. The Regulations also require the Council to make a copy of the scheme available at its principal office during normal hours and to publish it on its website. The Scheme is already available in the reception at both the Council House and at Roman House. It can also be seen on our website at www.derby.gov.uk/HiRes/Living/Planning/Local+Development+Scheme
- 2.4 The LDS must be reviewed and rolled forward each year and so a new scheme will be prepared towards the end of this year.

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IMPLICATIONS

Financial

1.1 Financial resource implications of the programme are considered in the LDS. The Scheme was submitted before the end of March 2005, which satisfies the requirements of the new BVPI 200a. Success in meeting this target will deliver additional Planning Delivery Grant for 2005/06. The Government has indicated that performance in achieving the programme set out in the LDS could influence future levels of Planning Delivery Grant.

Legal

2.1 The requirement to prepare and annually review an LDS is contained in the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004. The Scheme also meets all procedural requirements of the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004.

Personnel

3.1 Personnel resource implications are considered in the LDS.

Equalities impact

4.1 The LDS itself does not have an equalities impact, but the documents it proposes for preparation, such as the Statement of Community Involvement, will need to pay particular attention to this issue.

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

5.1 The proposal comes under the Council's Objectives for providing healthy, safe and independent communities, a diverse, attractive and healthy environment, a prosperous, vibrant and successful economy and a shared commitment to regenerating our communities.