

COUNCIL CABINET

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Minute Extract

Key Decisions

137/11 City Centre Regeneration Framework

The Council Cabinet considered a report on City Centre Regeneration Framework. The City Centre Regeneration Framework (CCRF) sets out the key priorities to guide and co-ordinate investment in, and the future development of Derby city centre. The CCRF linked closely with the two outcomes of Derby Plan, 'A thriving, sustainable economy' and 'An active cultural life'. The CCRF laid out a 15 year vision for Derby city centre and identified priority projects, future potential investment opportunities, design and development principles and a 5 year action plan. The CCRF had gone through 6 weeks period of public consultation following the Council Cabinet approval in July 2011. A summary of this consultation process and the responses were set out in Appendix 2 of the report. The comments and views received from the consultation process had been incorporated into the document where appropriate. Following the Council Cabinet approval, the CCRF would be referred for approval to the Council. Following the Council approval, the CCRF would become a material consideration for determination of planning applications for the city centre developments. The CCRF was attached at Appendix 3 of the report.

Options Considered

Do not adopt the document. This option was not considered to be appropriate as the CCRF would be an important tool to drive the regeneration in the city centre. If not adopted, the CCRF would not have the necessary status to influence the developments, which may result in lack of consistency and commitment for the council's vision and proposals. It was therefore recommended that the CCRF should be adopted as material consideration for the determination of planning applications.

Decision

1. To approve the City Centre Regeneration Framework (CCRF).
2. To recommend Council to adopt the CCRF and approve it as material consideration for the determination of city centre planning applications.

Reasons

1. The CCRF provided a framework to influence, guide and steer developments, promote regeneration and improve the built and natural environment of the city centre with a view to realising the economic and cultural potential of the city.
2. The determination of planning applications was a valuable part of the regeneration process. The CCRF would ensure a regeneration focus into this process and help coordinate the council's approach to future developments.