

## **114/21 Preparing a New Local Plan for Derby**

The Council Cabinet considered a report which stated that the Derby City Local Plan Part 1 (DCLP1) was adopted in January 2017. It set out strategic planning policies, including a housing target and a strategy for meeting this and other development needs. The DCLP1 together with the saved policies of the City of Derby Local Plan Review (CDLPR) formed the adopted development plan for Derby. The report sought approval to begin work on a new Local Plan.

There had been several important developments that underpinned this proposal:

- a. changes to standard methodology for calculating housing requirements
- b. need to align with our Derby Housing Market Area (HMA) partners, particularly given the requirement to achieve target numbers from (a)
- c. regulatory requirement to review Local Plans every 5 years
- d. intended changes to the national planning system.

Achieving the levels of growth required, due to changes in (a) above, would have significant impacts across the city. Taken with the other points above there was compelling justification to begin the process of preparing a new Local Plan. An indicative timetable was included in the report along with a proposal to establish a cross-party advisory group to oversee and steer the preparation.

The Executive Scrutiny Board noted the report.

### **Options Considered**

Wait for further details from the anticipated Planning Bill. As set out at paragraph 4.3.4 of the report we needed to work with our HMA partners and neighbouring authorities to address how we meet our housing requirements. Not commencing a new Local Plan and waiting for further details from the Planning Bill risked being left behind in the process and failing to find a solution for dealing with any of the City's increased housing requirement that could not be met within our administrative boundaries.

### **Decision**

1. To authorise the Chief Planning Officer to begin work on a new Local Plan for Derby, having considered the preparation of a Joint plan with Housing Market Area partners as set out in paragraph 4.5.3 of the report, and for this to review DCLP1 and CDLPR policies, integrating and up-dating draft DCLP2 policies into it as appropriate.
2. To agree and authorise the Chief Planning Officer to publish the schedule at Appendix 1 of the report reviewing existing adopted Local Plan policies.

3. To recommend to Executive Scrutiny Board that they establish a cross-party Local Plan Member Working Group, to advise and steer the preparation of the new Local Plan.
4. To approve the use of £158,000 of the local plan reserve over the next 3 years to support the development of the plan.
5. To delegate authority to the Strategic Director for Communities and Place, following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Decarbonisation, Strategic Planning, to agree a Local Plan Timetable and revisions to the Local Development Scheme, in line with the indicative milestones in paragraph 4.12 of the report.

## **Reasons**

1. To comply with our statutory duty to prepare and maintain a Local Plan as required by the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 and the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and to consider preparing a Joint Plan with partners as required by Section 33A of the same Act.
2. In accordance with the requirements of s10A of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2017.
3. To provide early and ongoing cross-party input into Local Plan preparation and other planning policy documents.
4. To ensure the sustainable funding of Local Plan preparation.
5. To ensure that the Council could update and publish a revised Local Development scheme in line with s15 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended).