

Executive Member for Regeneration 13 July 2018

Decision to be taken on or after 23 July 2018

Key Decision: No

Ward(s) Affected: All (outside of the South Downs National Park)

**Adur Local Development Scheme 2018-2020** 

Report by the Director for the Economy

# **Executive Summary**

# **Purpose**

- This report recommends a revised Local Development Scheme (LDS) for Adur for the period 2018-2020.
- The report taken to Adur Planning Committee on 4th June 2018 set out the proposed work programme for 2018 - 2020. This includes DPD, SPDs and guidance. This report should be read in conjunction with that report.
- When adopted, this LDS will be published on the Council's website for information.

# Recommendations

- 2.1 Recommendation One
  - That the revised timetables to progress the constituent elements of the Adur Local Development Scheme are agreed.
  - ii) That following agreement, the Adur Local Development Scheme 2018-202 be published on the Council's website for information.

#### 3.0 Context

- 3.1 The Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended) requires that each Local Planning Authority prepares a Local Development Scheme (LDS) to show which planning policy documents the Council intends to produce and the timescale for their preparation.
- 3.2 The report to Adur Planning Committee on 4th June 2018 set out the key changes from the previous LDS. The LDS was attached to that report as Appendix 1.
- 3.3 Please note that the Committee meeting agreed the following changes to the LDS presented to them, following updates from Officers:
  - That the proposed Technical Guidance Note on Decentralised Energy, Stand-alone Energy Schemes and Renewable Energy, in fact be progressed as a Supplementary Planning Document. This will give it greater weight and will include consultation.
  - That the proposed timetable for the SPD 'Demonstrating Genuine Redundancy of Employment Sites' be amended slightly.
- 3.4 The LDS attached to this report has been revised to reflect these changes.

### 2.0 Other Matters

- 2.1 Please note that Adur Planning Committee requested that the following comments be forwarded to the Executive Member for Regeneration:
  - That the 'Guidance on Infrastructure Provision SPD' (timetabled for 2019) gives more clarity on infrastructure matters such as education.
  - That the revision of the Good Practice Guide on Houseboats addresses the rights of houseboats.

## 4.0 Engagement and Communication

4.1 There is no legal requirement to consult specifically on a Local Development Scheme. However, the constituent Development Plan Documents and Supplementary Planning Documents within the LDS will be prepared and consulted on in line with statutory requirements, and as set out in the Adur and Worthing Councils Statement of Community Involvement.

### 5.0 Financial Implications

5.1 The cost of preparing the LDS will be funded from within the existing service budget.

# 3.0 Legal Implications

3.1 Under section 15 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended by the Localism Act 2011), a Local Planning Authority must prepare and maintain a Local Development Scheme. An LDS must specify the document which, when prepared, will comprise the Local Plan for the area and include the timetable for the preparation and revision of the development plan documents. It must be made available publically and kept up-to-date.

# **Background Papers**

 Planning Practice Guidance: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/local-plans--2#Local-Development-Scheme-cont-ain">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/local-plans--2#Local-Development-Scheme-cont-ain</a>

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### Sustainability & Risk Assessment

#### 1. Economic

 The Local Development Scheme (LDS) provides clarity to all, including prospective investors and developers, as to emerging planning guidance and policies for the Adur Local Plan area. The SPD 'Demonstrating Genuine redundancy of Employment Sites' is intended to help retain much-needed employment floorspace, where appropriate.

### 2. Social

### 2.1 Social Value

 The constituent elements of the LDS as a whole, include the policies and proposals intended to address a range of issues including affordable housing and the provision of employment space.

# 2.2 Equality Issues

No specific issues identified.

# 2.3 Community Safety Issues (Section 17)

No specific issues identified.

# 2.4 Human Rights Issues

No specific issues identified.

#### 3. Environmental

The LDF and its constituent documents address some environmental matters.
 Sustainability Appraisal is undertaken on Development Plan Documents, which includes an assessment of policy impacts on the environment.

# 4. Governance

- Some constituent elements of the LDS serve to develop Council planning policies, or to provide further guidance on their implementation.
- The LDS allows the Council's partners and community to understand key planning policy documents which are planned 2018-2020.