

<b>DECISION-MAKER:</b>	<b>CABINET</b>		
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>SOUTHAMPTON LOCAL PLAN - AMENDED TIMETABLE FOR LOCAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME (LDS)</b>		
<b>DATE OF DECISION:</b>	<b>17 DECEMBER 2019</b>		
<b>REPORT OF:</b>	<b>CABINET MEMBER FOR PLACE AND TRANSPORT</b>		
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<b>STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY</b>	
NOT APPLICABLE.	
<b>BRIEF SUMMARY</b>	
<p>The new Local Plan enables us to take a fresh look at the challenges and opportunities in the city and to update our planning policies to address these and provide the platform to deliver positive growth and sustainability. The Local Plan will ensure that we can deliver the new homes, businesses, jobs, shops and infrastructure the city needs over the coming decades.</p> <p>The timetable for producing development plans has to be published in the Local Development Scheme.</p> <p>This report sets out the amended timetable for producing the new Local Plan for the city. This timetable will replace that set out in the current Local Development Scheme (LDS) (known as 'Preparing our Development Plans'), which sets out how and when we will prepare the new 'Southampton City Vision' Local Plan as well as other essential planning documents. The current Local Development Scheme was approved by Cabinet in July 2019.</p>	
<b>RECOMMENDATIONS:</b>	
	(i) To approve the revised Local Development Scheme (Appendix 4) with the amended Local Plan timetable (Appendix 1).
	(ii) To resolve that the revised Local Development Scheme (Appendix 4) shall take effect from 18/12/2019 and will be published on the Council's webpages as soon as reasonably possible thereafter.
<b>REASONS FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS</b>	
1.	To ensure that Southampton City Council is providing a clear and accurate timeline for the production of planning documents.
<b>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED</b>	

3.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To publish the LDS as approved by Cabinet in July 2019</li> </ul> <p>This is not a credible option as the existing timetable set out in Appendix 2 is out of date due to previous delays being incurred which were not expected. The implication of publishing the LDS with this out of date timetable for the Local Plan preparation is that the Ministry for Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) will monitor compliance with this timetable and could 'designate' the Council for not complying with the timetable.</p>
<b>DETAIL (Including consultation carried out)</b>	
4.	<p>As the local planning authority, Southampton City Council has a statutory duty to produce a Local Development Scheme (LDS). The LDS must set out the Council's timetable for producing and reviewing its planning documents, which include documents such as the Local Plan. This document must also outline any planning policy documents the Council intends to produce and the timescales for doing so in order for progress to be monitored, for example by the Ministry for Housing, Communities and Local Government.</p> <p>In July 2019 Cabinet approved the updated LDS (Appendix 3) which is known as 'Preparing our Development Plans'. This report now seeks the approval of an updated timetable (Appendix 1) for the preparation of Southampton City Vision, the new Local Plan as the timetable approved in July 2019 is now out of date and inaccurate.</p> <p>The following sets out the material changes between the existing and the proposed timetable:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update to dates to account for unforeseen delays experienced in recent months</li> <li>Update to timetable layout in order to make the overall process clearer</li> </ul>
<b>RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS</b>	
<b><u>Revenue</u></b>	
5.	<p>The cost of the Local Plan will be met from existing resources within the Planning service along with additional funding proposed in the draft Medium Term Financial Strategy for investment in services. The proposed changes to the timetable in the LDS will not have any adverse financial implications on the estimated cost of the Local Plan.</p>
<b><u>Property/Other</u></b>	
6.	Not applicable.
<b>LEGAL IMPLICATIONS</b>	
<b><u>Statutory power to undertake proposals in the report:</u></b>	
7.	<p>As the Local Planning Authority, Southampton City Council has a statutory duty to produce and maintain a Local Development Scheme, under the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004. To bring the scheme into effect, the local planning authority must resolve that the scheme is to have effect and in the resolution specify the date from which the scheme is to have effect</p>

<b><u>Other Legal Implications:</u></b>	
8.	The production and content of the 'Preparing our Development Plans' is subject to compliance with the duties set out in the Equalities Act 2010 and the Crime & Disorder Act 1998 (s.17). Both the approach to adopting the documents, and the content, must be prepared having regard to the need to eliminate discrimination on the basis of protected characteristics and the need to reduce or eliminate crime & disorder in the local area.
<b>RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS</b>	
9.	The risk of Southampton City Council adopting 'Preparing our Development Plans' with an out of date timetable for the Local Plan is that the Ministry for Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) will monitor compliance with this timetable and could 'designate' the Council for not comply with the timetable.
<b>POLICY FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS</b>	
10.	The Local Development Scheme is a statutory document that Southampton City Council is required to produce, in accordance with the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.

<b>KEY DECISION?</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>WARDS/COMMUNITIES AFFECTED:</b>	All
<b><u>SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION</u></b>	
<b>Appendices</b>	
1.	Appendix 1 – Proposed Local Plan Timetable.
2.	Appendix 2 – Existing Local Plan Timetable.
3.	Appendix 3 – 'Preparing Our Development Plans' (Approved July 2019)
4.	Appendix 4 – 'Preparing Our Development Plans' (Proposed Version)

**Documents In Members' Rooms**

1.	N/A
<b>Equality Impact Assessment</b>	
<b>Do the implications/subject of the report require an Equality and Safety Impact Assessment (ESIA) to be carried out.</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Data Protection Impact Assessment</b>	
<b>Do the implications/subject of the report require a Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) to be carried out.</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Other Background Documents</b>	
<b>Other Background documents available for inspection at: Not Applicable</b>	
<b>Title of Background Paper(s)</b>	<b>Relevant Paragraph of the Access to Information Procedure Rules /</b>

		Schedule 12A allowing document to be Exempt/Confidential (if applicable)
1.	Not Applicable	
2.		