

Overview and Scrutiny 11 Sept 2008

Enterprise & Regeneration – Key Issues/Priorities

Planning

Avoid over-development and protect existing open spaces within the borough-

Council's planning framework, the Unitary Development Plan was adopted in July 2006. The London Plan and the Haringey UDP are the extant development plan for the Borough. The UDP will provide the planning policy framework for three years from the date of adoption. The policies in the UDP will be reviewed over the next year to assess policies that should be saved. The saved policies will continue

Local Development Framework – Core Strategy: The Council is preparing the Core Strategy Development Plan Document and in December 2007 consulted on the Issues and Options Report. The responses received have been analysed and the Preferred Options for the Core Strategy are being prepared. The Council will be consulting on the Preferred Option in January 2008. The Core Strategy was programmed to be adopted in late 2009, is now likely to be put back till spring 2010.

Open Space and recreational Standards Supplementary Planning Document was adopted by the Council in June 2008. The SPD sets out the Council's approach to the provision of open space, sport and recreation in conjunction with new development and how the Development Plan policies will be implemented.

Use new and existing government powers to capture more money from developers to create and improve community services

Council's planning framework, the Unitary Development Plan was adopted in July 2006 and work is in progressing on the Haringey Core Strategy. The Core Strategy will set out the framework for the place making and space shaping of the Borough.

Guidance to developers on Section 106 contributions has been adopted and regular monitoring and reporting mechanisms have been established for transparency.

The Council is utilising all the funding sources from Government (DCLG) and LDA for regeneration and infrastructure development. There has been successful bid for Community Infrastructure Fund (CIF) providing £8m for the Tottenham Hale Gyrotory Scheme, Growth Area Fund Round Three (GAF3) and Programme of Development (PoD).

Work closely with NDC to regenerate deprived areas

The Planning Policy Service will be working with the Bridge NDC to develop a masterplan for the area to maximise the development potential and regeneration benefits for the local community.

Ensure the building of a more affordable houses

Council's planning framework, the Unitary Development Plan was adopted in July 2006. This includes a policy for a borough-wide target of 50% affordable housing units for major development sites. This is in line with the London Plan.

The Council is also making progress on preparing the Core Strategy and will be going out for consultation on the Preferred Options in early 2009.

The Council has undertaken consultation on the Draft Housing Supplementary Planning Document. The responses received are being reported to the Cabinet meeting in September. The SPD is scheduled to be reported to the October meeting of the Cabinet to seek authority to adopt. The SPD will provide more guidance on affordable and social housing, housing design and density.

Development Management

Retail uses in the district and local shopping centre: Through development management responsibilities (planning control), the Council has limited powers in controlling the type of retail occupier of premises, uses within Use Class A1. Similarly, within the various use classes, if planning permission is not required the Council has limited control on the occupiers, as this very much determined by market forces, i.e. betting shops within Use Class A2.

Where planning permission is required, the proposal will be assessed against national, regional and local planning policies and any other material consideration (SPD, wider regeneration benefits) and the impact of the proposed development on the area.

Regeneration

Putting Communities at the Heart of Regeneration

Regeneration Strategy "People, Places, Prosperity" agreed by Council and endorsed by HSP January 2008.

First annual delivery plan for Regeneration Strategy approved in June 2008 identifying key flagship projects under each of the three themes and sets agenda for delivery of major socio-economic and physical infrastructure developments in Haringey over next 3 years to 2011.

Successful implementation will result in major physical change in the urban environment of Haringey along with greater economic vitality as a result of greater employment for residents and thriving prosperous businesses.

1. People

Haringey Guarantee – this is our flagship programme for tackling worklessness. The scheme benefits both businesses and residents in Haringey by providing businesses with committed and trained workers to meet their recruitment and skills needs as well as delivering employment options for residents. To date over 1,400 people have engaged with the scheme and 194 residents have gained sustained employment.

LAA Stretch Target – Job Seekers Allowance Claimants

We have an LAA stretch target to support 120 long term (6 months +) Job Seekers Allowance (JSA) claimants into sustained work by March 2010. 78 have already been supported into work meaning that the 60% threshold whereby reward grant is payable has already been met. Successfully meeting the target of 120 will result in a total reward grant payment of £282k.

North London Pledge – aims to extend the capacity of the Haringey Guarantee by linking employment and skills provision across the Upper Lee Valley. This is delivering basic and vocational skills, condition management programmes and occupational therapy targeted at IB claimants and specialist 'in-work support' linked to the LSC's Train to Gain provision.

Families into Work – an innovative project focussing on families in Northumberland Park to identify and provide the services they need for parents to become employed and for children to achieve success in education and develop the skills and desire to obtain work with career prospects. The delivery plan has been agreed and office established at Northumberland Park Resource Centre. Official opening September 2008.

2. Places

Wood Green Town Centre Supplementary Planning Document - extensive public consultation has taken place on the vision for Wood Green town centre. The SPD if adopted in October 2008 will provide supporting guidance for development of the town centre to ensure that it evolves in a

sustainable way and continues to be an important economic hub for Haringey and London.

Tottenham High Rd - Windsor Parade Bruce Grove Townscape Heritage Initiative has been voted finalist in the heritage led project of the year for the Regeneration and Renewal Awards 2008. The project has refurbished a prominent Edwardian Parade along Tottenham High Rd. This means we are on a shortlist that includes St Pancras station refurbishment. The Council has been awarded further funding to extend the project along the High Road with work commencing in June 2008.

3. Prosperity

Olympics

A very successful week of events was held as part of the north London Olympic celebrations.

As part of the handover of the Olympics to London we are holding an event on Sunday 24th August at Wood Green library involving the Leader and Mayor of the council.

A further event is taking place next month to link in with the cultural Olympiad at Bruce Castle, this includes a lighting event and an exhibition at the museum

Haringey City Growth Business Awards took place May 2008 with more than 400 business representatives attending. More nominations were received than ever before for the event which aims to recognise those local businesses that have led the way in terms of enterprise, innovation and success across the borough.

Film Office has facilitated over 300 film and television shoots in the borough and has acted as a liaison between the Council, the film industry, local residents and businesses. A Haringey film maker who was a recipient of funding from the Council's Short Film Fund was selected for the final shortlist for the Film London Best of Borough Awards.

Area Based Grant 9 new business support initiatives are being funded through the Area Based Grant. These initiatives focus on advice and guidance to Haringey residents and start-up businesses, business growth programmes, business education courses for young people and programmes to support businesses in our town centres.