

REPORT OF CABINET

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FULL COUNCIL 24 JULY 2017

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INTRODUCTION

The Local Plan is a new planning policy framework for Haringey which engages with our ambitions for the Borough, and in particular our programme for the regeneration of parts of Tottenham and Wood Green. The Local Plan will comprise a suite of development plan documents including Alterations to the Strategic Policies 2013, the Site Allocations DPD, the Development Management DPD, and the Tottenham Area Action Plan (AAP). The Local Plan contains the detailed policies and site allocations that will be used to determine the acceptability of planning applications over the next 15 years. The documents have been prepared to reaffirm the spatial development strategy for the Borough and help deliver on the identified needs for housing, employment and other land uses and requirements to facilitate sustainable development.

This new planning policy framework for Haringey will replace our old Unitary Development Plan (UDP) and the documents comprising it have been found sound and legally compliant by the Secretary of State following multiple stages of public consultation and an independent public examination.

The report from Cabinet of 20 June 2017 recommends that Full Council adopts the Local Plan Documents with the changes recommended by the Planning Inspector, as set out in schedules of modifications to the Inspectors report.

ADOPTION OF HARINGEY'S LOCAL PLAN

The adoption of the new Local Plan documents is necessary to ensure the Borough has an up-to-date framework for managing growth and dealing with planning applications. It is also necessary to progress the Local Plan to adoption in accordance with the Council's current Local Development Scheme, to ensure that an up-to-date Local Plan for the Borough is in place and to comply with regulatory requirements.

The only other option available for consideration at this stage is withdrawal of one or more of the Local Plans. This option would be at odds with the Council's adopted Local Development Scheme and it would leave Haringey without a substantial part of an up-to-date Development Plan. Given the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) presumption in favour of sustainable development that applies where boroughs do not have an up to date development plan, a decision not to adopt would leave the Council with little local policy control over the determination of applications, relying on the extant Strategic Policies and those UDP policies which are in conformity with the NPPF. It would also be a significant barrier to implementing the Council's strategic priorities for regeneration and growth, and would obstruct

securing the infrastructure necessary to meet the demands of growth in the Borough. However, there are no grounds currently that would warrant the Council's consideration of this option.

Desktop Publishing

At Cabinet on 20 June 2017 it was agreed that the Inspector's Main Modifications and other minor modifications would be consolidated into final desktop versions of the Local Plan documents. These have now been prepared and made available for consideration at Full Council (see Appendices F-I). However, it has very recently been called to the attention of officers that the current desktop versions of the plans do not reflect the full complement of modifications. Accordingly, further factual corrections are required to amend the plans (for example, to ensure designated employment areas are accurately represented in tables/maps; to provide that the indicative site capacities at Policy SS5, Wards Corner site, appropriately reflect the extant/lapsed planning permissions (see Appendix J for details); and grammatical and editorial changes. It is emphasised that these are factual corrections required to bring the Local Plan documents fully in line with the Inspector's recommended changes and are therefore non-material amendments. A schedule of any final corrections will be available at the meeting of the Council.

WE RECOMMEND

Full Council notes the outcome of the independent Examination in Public of the Alterations to the Strategic Policies 2013, the Site Allocations DPD, the Development Management DPD, and the Tottenham AAP, as set out in the Inspector's Report and its corresponding schedules of modifications (attached at Appendices A-E).

Full Council notes that non-material clerical amendments are still to be made to the desktop versions of the Local Plan documents to ensure they are fully consistent with the Inspector's schedule of recommended main modifications (as set out in Appendices B-E) and other minor modifications (i.e. editorial). This includes amending pages 66 and 67 of the Tottenham AAP to appropriately reflect extant/lapsed planning permissions (as per Appendix H and Appendix J).

Full Council adopts the Local Plan Documents (Alterations to the Strategic Policies 2013, the Site Allocations DPD, the Development Management DPD, and the Tottenham AAP) incorporating non-material clerical amendments and the changes recommended by the Planning Inspector (attached at Appendices F-I) and the changes to pages 66-67 of the Tottenham AAP set out in Appendix H and Appendix J.