

Agenda item: [No.]

Cabinet

On 14th October 2008

Report Title: Local Development Scheme - Progress Report

Forward Plan reference number (if applicable): [add reference]

Report of: Niall Bolger, Director of Urban Environment

Wards(s) affected: All Report for: key decision

1. Purpose

1.1 To report on the progress of the Local Development Scheme in light of the changes to the plan making process as set out in new Government Guidance Planning Policy Statement 12 'Local Spatial Planning'.

2. Introduction by Cabinet Member (if necessary)

2.1This report is brought to the Cabinet members to note the progress made on the Local Development Scheme in light of changes set out in new Planning Policy Statement 12 'Local Spatial Planning'.

3. Recommendations

3.1 That members note the progress made on the Local Development Scheme (LDS) in light of the changes to the plan making process as set out in Planning Policy Statement 12 'Local Spatial Planning'.

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4. Chief Financial Officer comments

4.1 There are no significant financial implications arising from the recommendations of this report. The development and adoption of the LDF is undertaken over several years and costs to date in relation to this exercise have been contained within the

approved budgets for Planning Policy and Development.

5. Head of Legal Services Comments

5.1The Head of Legal Services comments that this report is by way of an up date in the light of the revised regulations and has no specific legal implications at this stage. As no documents have been submitted there is no risk exposure to grant shortfall.

6. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

- 6.1 Background documents include:
 - Haringey's Local Development Scheme, March 2007
 - Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2008
 - Planning Policy Statement 12: Local Spatial Planning (DCLG, June 2008)

7. Strategic Implications

7.1 The Local Development Scheme is a project plan for preparing a suite of planning documents. Each Local Development Document, when produced, will address the relevant strategic issues.

8. Financial Implications

8.1 The costs associated with the formulation and the adoption of the LDF have to date been contained within the approved budget for PPD.

9. Legal Implications

9.1 The legal implications have been addressed in paragraph 5.1.

10. Equalities Implications

10.1 The Local Development Scheme is a project plan for preparing a suite of planning documents which will address equalities and diversity.

11. Background

11.1 The Local Development Framework (LDF) will comprise a folder of documents known as Local Development Documents which will replace the Unitary Development Plan (UDP). These documents are divided into three types: Development Plan Documents, Supplementary Planning Documents and other documents such as a Statement of Community Involvement and the Annual Monitoring Report.

- 11.2 The Local Development Scheme (LDS) is a project plan, which sets out a work programme for preparing the Local Development Framework. Once a full review has taken place the LDS will cover a period up to April 2012.
- 11.3 The main purpose of the LDS is to provide a starting point for the community to find out about the Council's planning policies and proposals in respect of a particular area or topic, what plans the Council intends to produce in the future and when they can get involved in this process. The LDS identifies the planning documents to be prepared, the timetable and milestones for their production, the evidence base required and the resources available. It should be devised with available resources in mind.
- 11.4 The Annual Monitoring Report monitors progress on the Local Development Framework against the milestones set out in the Local Development Scheme. If changes to the timetable are necessary or a document is added or removed from the work programme, then this requires a formal revision of the LDS.
- 11.5 Development Plan Documents will replace the UDP and will have statutory development plan status under the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.
- 11.6 The regulations governing development plan document production have changed and a new version of Planning Policy Statement 12 has been produced. PPS12 Local Spatial Planning was published in June 2008. This replaces PPS12 Local Development Framework (September 2004) and Creating Local Development Frameworks: A Companion guide to PPS12, published on 2 November 2004.
- 11.7 The revised Local Development Scheme will need to reflect the changes introduced by the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2008. The main change that will affect the Local Development Scheme is the deletion of Regulation 26 Preferred Issues & Options Consultation when preparing Development Plan Documents.
- 11.8 Once a full review of the LDS has been undertaken it will need to be approved for submission to the Greater London Authority and Government Office for London, and be brought into effect immediately upon receiving a notice from either of the above that they do not wish to intervene.

12. Progress on the Local Development Scheme

- 12.1 The details of the progress on the Local Development Scheme are set out below. The 2007/2008 Annual Monitoring Report will report that the following milestones have been met.
- 12.2 Statement of Community Involvement (SCI)

The SCI sets out the standards for involving local communities in the preparation of Local Development Documents and development control decisions. The following milestone was met:

The SCI was adopted in February 2008.

12.3 Core Strategy

The Core Strategy will help shape the kind of place Haringey will be in 2020, balancing the needs and aspirations of residents and businesses against strategic development needs. The timetable for the preparation of the Core Strategy includes a revised date for consultation stages. This reflects the changes introduced to the process by The Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2008:

- Consultation on Issues and Options: February/March 2008
- Consultation on 'preferred options': January/February 2009

12.4 Joint Waste Development Plan Document

Unitary authorities are required under the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 to produce a Waste Development Plan Document for their area. The Council has agreed to prepare a Joint Waste Development Plan Document plan with six other north London boroughs that make up the North London Waste Authority area. The document will provide waste projections and identify the mix and location of waste facilities needed in the sub-region.

The key milestones of the document are:

- Public consultation on the draft JWDPD Issues and Options including sustainability appraisal/strategic environmental assessment – January/ February 2008.
- Public consultation on preferred options May 2009

12.5 Central Leeside Area Action Plan

Central Leeside is the collective name given to the strategic employment areas that lie either side of the boundary between Enfield and Haringey. The primary challenge for the Area Action Plan will be to identify investment and improvements required to ensure the long term viability of the area as an employment location. The key milestones of the document are:

- Consultation on Issues and Options March 2008
- Consultation on preferred options January/February 2009

12.6 Open Space Standards Supplementary Planning Document

The SPD will provide local open space and recreation standards to meet the needs of local communities and visitors. The following milestones have been met:

- Publish and consult on draft SPD November 2007
- Adoption June 2008

12.7 Housing Supplementary Planning Document

The SPD will provide guidance and further information on the existing UDP housing policies. The following milestones have been met:

- Publish and consult on draft SPD April 2008
- Adoption due October 2008

13. Consultation

13.1 The Local Development Scheme is a project plan which is not subject to public consultation. Once a revised LDS is submitted to the Greater London Authority and comes into effect, it will be made publicly available at Council's offices and published on the website.

14. Conclusion

- 14.1 It is important that the Local Development Scheme is kept up to date and reflects changes in government legislation. It is therefore recommended that Members note the progress made on the LDS in light of changes made to government legislation.
- 14.2 Once a full review of the LDS has been undertaken it will need to be approved for submission to the Greater London Authority and Government Office for London, and be brought into effect immediately upon receiving a notice from either of the above that they do not wish to intervene.

15 Recommendations

15.1 That Members note the progress made to the Local Development Scheme in light of the changes made to the regulations and the new Planning Policy Statement 12.

