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DEVELOPMENT PLAN SCRUTINY SUB-COMMITTEE

To: Scrutiny Sub Committee Members: Councillors Reid (Chair), Saunders (Vice-Chair), Blencowe, Brierley, Marchant-Daisley and Price

Alternates : Councillors Blackhurst and Herbert

Executive Councillor for Planning and Climate Change: Councillor Ward

Despatched: Monday, 1 July 2013

Date: Tuesday, 9 July 2013

Time: 4.30 pm

Venue: Committee Room 1 & 2 - Guildhall

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AGENDA

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Senior Planning Policy Officer (*Pages 5 - 12*)

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To: Executive Councillor for Planning and Climate Change: Councillor Tim Ward
Report by: Head of Planning Services
Relevant scrutiny committee: Development Plan Scrutiny Sub Committee 09/07/2013
Wards affected: All Wards

Cambridge City Council Local Development Scheme 2013

Not a key decision

1. Executive summary

- 1.1 Cambridge City Council is required to maintain a Local Development Scheme (LDS). An LDS sets out a timetable for the production of new or revised Development Plan Documents (such as a Local Plan).
- 1.2 Following Full Council approval on 27th June 2013 of the Proposed Submission Cambridge Local Plan, it is necessary to update the Council's LDS with the latest timetable and publish it on our website.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 The report is being submitted to Development Plan Scrutiny Sub-Committee for prior consideration and comment before decision by the Executive Councillor for Planning and Climate Change.
- 2.2 The Executive Councillor is recommended to
 - 1) Approve the updated Local Development Scheme 2013 and agree to it being brought into effect on 10 July 2013.

3. Background

- 3.1 The Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 introduced the requirement for councils to prepare and maintain a Local Development Scheme (LDS). An LDS sets out a timetable for the production of new or revised Development Plan Documents (such as a Local Plan) by the local council.
- 3.2 The Council prepared its first LDS in 2005, and issued updates in 2007, 2008 and 2012. These are available on our website at:

- 3.3 The attached 2013 version of the LDS, which, if approved, will supersede previous versions, sets out a work programme for the Council over a three-year period to April 2016.
- 3.4 This version of the LDS has been simplified from previous versions, in line with streamlining the planning system. It now just focuses on some brief background to the development plan system in Cambridge and a timetable for the production of any new development plans i.e. the Cambridge Local Plan. Previous versions of the LDS contained considerable detail on wider plans, projects and evidence documents. This detail reflected the legislative requirements and government guidance in force at that time. However, such national requirements have been considerably simplified, enabling our LDS to be likewise simplified. All the material in the old LDS (such as a list and web link to our evidence base documents) is available on our website in any event.
- 3.5 As can be seen in the LDS, it sets out the next stages for the preparation of the Cambridge Local Plan, leading to its adoption by the end of 2014.
- 3.6 It is a legal requirement for the Council to keep its LDS up to date and approval today of this July 2013 LDS will ensure we meet such requirements and ensure it is published prior to the commencement of the important consultation on the Local Plan, which is scheduled to commence on 19 July 2013.

4. Implications

(a) Financial Implications

4.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

(b) Staffing Implications (if not covered in Consultations Section)

4.2 There are no direct staffing implications from this report.

(c) Equal Opportunities Implications

4.3 There are no direct equal opportunities implications from this report.

(d) Environmental Implications

4.4 There are no direct environmental implications arising from this report.

(e) **Consultation**

4.5 The LDS is not subject to direct public consultation. However, the LDS is an important tool to aid consultation on the Local Plan because it sets out a timetable to which the Council is committed to follow in preparing and consulting on the Local Plan, thereby giving the public 'advance warning' of when consultation periods on the local plan are likely to take place.

(f) **Community Safety**

4.6 There are no direct community safety implications arising from this report.

5. **Background Papers**

- The Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004:
<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2004/5/contents>
- The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012:
<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2012/767/contents/made>

6. **Appendices**

- Appendix A: Local Development Scheme 2013

7. **Inspection of papers**

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Appendix A



Cambridge Local Development Scheme

9 July 2013

Cambridge Local Development Scheme 2013

Introduction

The Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 introduced the requirement for councils such as Cambridge City Council to prepare and maintain a Local Development Scheme (LDS). An LDS sets out a timetable for the production of new or revised Development Plan Documents (such as a Local Plan) by the local council.

The Council prepared its first LDS in 2005, and issued updates in 2007, 2008 and 2012.

This 2013 LDS, which supersedes previous versions, sets out a planning work programme for the Council over a three-year period to April 2016. It will be regularly reviewed to keep it up to date.

What are the current adopted Development Plan Documents for Cambridge?

The current Development Plan Documents for Cambridge are the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Minerals and Waste Core Strategy 2011 and Site Specific Proposals Plan 2012, saved policies from the Cambridge Local Plan 2006, the Cambridge East Area Action Plan 2008 and the North West Cambridge Action Area Plan October 2009.

What new Development Plan Documents are to be prepared?

The Cambridge Local Plan 2006 is currently in the process of being reviewed and replaced, as confirmed by this LDS. The new Local Plan for Cambridge is due to be adopted in 2014, following public consultation and examination by the Planning Inspectorate. The Cambridge East Area Action Plan will also be slightly amended by the new Cambridge Local Plan. The North West Cambridge Area Action Plan will not be affected by the new Local Plan and will therefore remain in force in full.

The Minerals and Waste Documents are the responsibility of Cambridgeshire County Council. Cambridge City Council is not aware that a review of them is to take place in the foreseeable future.

A schedule setting out more detail on the preparation of the new Local Plan is set out on the next page. The Council also intends, jointly with South Cambridgeshire District Council (SCDC), to prepare an Area Action Plan for the site known as the Northern Fringe East. This will be classified as a Development Plan Document. However, no timetable has yet been agreed for its production. As soon as a timetable for its production has been agreed with SCDC then this LDS will be updated and republished.

Development Plan Documents to be produced

Document Title	Subject matter and geographical area	Chain of Conformity	Consultation	Publication of Submission Draft DPD & Public Consultation	Submission and Examination of DPD	Adoption and Publication of DPD	Policies it will replace
Cambridge Local Plan 2014	Sets out the vision, objectives and strategy for the spatial development of Cambridge. Lists sites allocated for development, which are illustrated on an accompanying Policies Map. Sets out the policies against which planning applications will be considered. Covers the whole of Cambridge City Council administrative area	Conformity with the NPPF	Issues & Options - June/July 2012 Issues & Options 2 (including site options for development) - January/February 2013	July/September 2013	Submission in February 2014 Examination period February 2014 to October 2014	November 2014	All remaining saved policies in the Cambridge Local Plan 2006 Policy CE/3 & CE/35 of the Cambridge East AAP

Further Information Sources

Below are links to website which will assist should you require further information on LDSs

- The Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004:
<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2004/5/contents>
- The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012:
<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2012/767/contents/made>
- Planning Advisory Service:
<http://www.pas.gov.uk>
- Planning Portal:
<http://www.planningportal.gov.uk>