

Cambridge City Council

Record of Executive Decision

Greater Cambridge Housing Trajectory and Five-Year Housing Land Supply

Decision of: Councillor Katie Thornburrow, Executive Councillor for Planning Policy and Infrastructure

Reference: 23/URGENCY/P&T/09

Date of decision: 02/05/23

Date Published on website: 10/05/23.

Decision Type: Non-Key

Matter for Decision: To agree the Greater Cambridge Housing Trajectory and Five-Year Housing Land Supply Report Appendix 1) to be published on the Councils' shared planning service website. The Greater Cambridge housing trajectory and five-year housing land supply calculations have been prepared jointly with South Cambridgeshire District Council, consistent with the adopted Local Plans.

To delegate any further minor editing changes to the Greater Cambridge Housing Trajectory and Five-Year Housing Land Supply Report to the Joint Director for Planning and Economic Development where they are technical matters.

Why the decision had to be made (and any alternative options): The Greater Cambridge housing trajectory is used by the Councils to calculate their five-year housing land supply and to demonstrate that anticipated housing delivery will meet or exceed the housing requirements set out in their Local Plans. The housing trajectory and five-year supply calculations are required to be updated annually. The new five-year period started on 1 April 2023, and therefore calculations for this period (2023-2028) need to be agreed and published.

Alternative options: An alternative option would be to not publish the Greater Cambridge Housing Trajectory and Five-Year Housing Land Supply Report. However, national planning policy and guidance requires that a local planning authority should identify and annually update their five-year supply of specific deliverable housing sites. A new housing trajectory is required to establish the Greater Cambridge five-year housing land supply for the purposes of making planning decisions.

Executive Councillor's decision: The Greater Cambridge Housing Trajectory and Five-Year Housing Land Supply Report (Appendix 1) to be published on the Councils' shared planning service website.

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Scrutiny consideration: The Chair and Spokespersons of Planning & Transport Scrutiny Committee were consulted prior to the action being authorised.

Report: Appendix 1, The Greater Cambridge Housing Trajectory and Five-Year Housing Land Supply Report.

Click on link below to view Appendix 1

[Appendix 1](#)

Conflict of interest: None know

Comments: No comments were received on this out of cycle decision.