

LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK PANEL MINUTES

3 DECEMBER 2012

Chairman: * Councillor Keith Ferry

Councillors: * Marilyn Ashton † Bill Phillips
* Stephen Greek * Navin Shah
* Graham Henson (3) * Simon Williams

In attendance: Joyce Nickolay All items
(Councillors)

* Denotes Member present
(3) Denote category of Reserve Members
† Denotes apologies received

RECOMMENDED ITEMS

92. Authority's Monitoring Report

The Panel received a report of the Corporate Director, Environment and Enterprise on the Annual Monitoring Report (AMR) for the period 1 April 2011 to 31 March 2012. It was noted that the AMR indicated the performance of Harrow Council against a set of nationally and locally defined indicators designed to monitor the implementation of planning policy.

The Panel reviewed and commented on the draft AMR as follows:

- It was noted that, although there was no longer a requirement to submit the AMR to the Secretary of State, the key findings had to be published. Trends, peaks and troughs could be reviewed by use of the information;

- Paragraph 4.4.36 would be amended to make the position clearer in relation to the total number of affordable housing delivered as set out on page 110;
- 4.4.37 would be incorporated into 4.4.39 for ease of reference;
- It was noted that the average household size was a separate evidence base and that the number was remaining constant. The data had been fed into the development of the CIL. The population statistics would influence the levels of new infrastructure required. The loss of retail floorspace had also been considered;
- A Member requested the inclusion of information with regard to the proportion of types of dwellings both in the findings section and the conclusion. It was noted that the policy was to provide a mix of housing types to meet the housing requirement and to suggest an alternative mix to an applicant if appropriate
- It was noted that targets had been missed with regard to employment, town centres and retail and it was considered that further detail would be useful.

It was agreed that that copies of the AMR would be both printed and made available on the website with copies being circulated to members of the Panel and the Planning Committee.

Resolved to RECOMMEND: (to Cabinet)

That the Authority's Monitoring Report 2011/12 be approved for publication on the Council's website.

Reason for Decision: To enable the Council to comply with the requirement under the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended)

(Note: The meeting, having commenced at 7.30 pm, closed at 8.40 pm).