

LONDON BOROUGH OF HARROW

CABINET – 20 JUNE 2012

RECOMMENDATION FROM LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK PANEL - 11 JUNE 2012

Chairman: * Councillor Keith Ferry

Councillors: * Marilyn Ashton * Bill Phillips
* Stephen Greek * Navin Shah
* Thaya Idaikkadar * Simon Williams

In attendance: * Joyce Nickolay All Items
(Councillors)

* Denotes Member present

76. Pre-Submission Site Allocations DPD

The Panel was reminded that the Core Strategy adopted on 16th February 2012 comprised a spatial strategy for growth for the Borough as a whole to provide a minimum of 6,050 new homes and 4,000 jobs over the plan period 2009 - 2026. A major component of the strategy for the delivery of growth was the designation of the Harrow and Wealdstone Intensification Area, to accommodate at least 2,800 new homes and 3,000 jobs. This left a requirement to find land for the balance of (at least) 3,250 homes and 1,000 jobs throughout the rest of the Borough.

It was a corporate priority to prepare a Site Allocations development plan document (DPD), alongside other DPDs, to give effect to and support the Core Strategy. A draft compendium of 'preferred option' site allocations was published for consultation during May and June last year, and the outcome of this consultation was reported to the Panel on 19th July 2011. This report introduced the 'pre-submission' Site Allocations DPD and explained how its preparation had responded to last year's consultation and the adoption of Harrow's Core Strategy (February 2012).

The report set out in detail how the pre-submission Site Allocations DPD addressed the responses received during the preferred option consultation. The preparation of the pre-submission document had also been informed by strategic policy documents which had been adopted in the period since the 2011 consultation; namely:

- the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF);
- the London Plan; and
- the Harrow Core Strategy.

A Member commented that with regard to the previously commissioned Savill's brief for the Stanmore car park/Anmer Lodge site that she thought this had been intended to support the production of a SPD and officers responded that this had not been the stated intention in relation to reports produced.

A Member noted minor drafting errors for correction and queried the proposed housing provision identified on car parking areas at Stanmore Station. Officers advised that this was a longstanding provision which had originally been identified within the previous Unitary Development Plan and which was intended to support the re-provision of car parking on the site as well as disabled persons' access improvements to the station complex.

A comment was received with regard to the proposals affecting Harrow West Conservative Association noting that a change of use was highly unlikely and that the proposal should therefore be reconsidered. This was not agreed.

Recommended (to Cabinet) that:

- (1) the comments on the pre-submission version of the Site Allocations DPD, annexed at Appendix A to the report, be noted;
- (2) the Site Allocations DPD be approved for a six-week pre-submission consultation;
- (3) authority be delegated to the Divisional Director of Planning in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Planning, and Regeneration to make any minor changes to the Site Allocations DPD resulting from the pre-submission consultation, prior to its submission to the Secretary of State for Examination in Public.

Reason: (for recommendation)

To progress production of the Site Allocations DPD in accordance with the adopted Local Development Scheme.

Background Documents:

Report submitted to Local Development Framework Panel on 11 June 2012
Draft minutes of the Local Development Framework Panel - 11 June 2012

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