
Executive

29th October 2015

Report of the Assistant Director Governance and ICT

**Recommendations of the Local Plan Working Group
– City of York Local Plan – Objective Assessment of Housing Need
and City of York Local Plan Economic Growth**

Summary

1. This report presents the recommendations from a meeting of the Local Plan Working Group (LPWG) held on 29 September 2015 in respect of the City of York Local Plan – Objective Assessment of Housing Need and Economic Growth and asks Members to consider the advice given by the Group in their capacity as an advisory body to the Executive, in relation to these reports.
2. The reports considered by the Local Plan Working Group on the 19th October 2015, relating to the protection of public houses and the Minerals and Waste Joint Plan are being reported separately to this Executive meeting.

Recommendations

3. Members are asked to note the recommendations in the minutes attached at Annex A and to decide whether they wish to:
 - a. Approve the specific recommendations made by the Local Plan Working Group in respect of the Objective Assessment of Housing Need and Economic Growth
 - b. Respond to any of the advice offered by the Working Group.

Reason: To fulfil the requirements of the Council's Constitution in relation to the role of Working Groups.

Background

4. Under the Council's Constitution, the role of Working Groups is to advise the Executive on issues within their particular remits. To ensure that the Executive is able to consider the advice of the Working Groups, it has been agreed that recommendations from the Groups' meetings will be brought to the Executive. In accordance with the requirements of the Constitution, the recommendations of the Local Plan Working Group of 29 September 2015 are presented with this report at Annex A. In addition, to fully inform the Executive on those recommendations, the reports originally considered by the Working Group are available to view at <http://democracy.york.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=128&MId=9066&Ver=4>

Consultation

5. No consultation has taken place on the attached recommendations, which have been referred directly from the Working Group. It is assumed that any relevant consultation on the items considered by the Group was carried out in advance of their meetings.

Options

6. Options open to the Executive are either to accept, reject or comment upon the advice offered by the Working Group.

Analysis

7. The LPWG at their meeting on 29 September 2015, considered both the Objective Assessment of Housing Need and Economic Growth. Executive are firstly asked to consider the recommendations in respect of the Objective Assessment of Housing Need set out below and in the attached draft minutes at Annex A (minute 4 refers):

'That the Executive be requested to:

Note the Arup report on the Objective Assessment of Housing Need which is to be used as the starting point for determining the amount of housing land required to be identified in the Plan.

Reason: To inform members of the updated evidence base being used in further work on the development of an NPPF compliant plan

8. Secondly, in respect of Economic Growth Members are asked to consider the following recommendation contained in the attached draft minutes at Annex A (minute 5 refers):

'That Executive be recommended to accept the analysis as presented and endorse Option 4 as presented in paragraphs 52 and 53 of the report.

Reason: To provide a basis for undertaking further work on the development of an NPPF compliant Local Plan. This will include a further assessment of both scenarios covered by the recommendation and the development of a potential portfolio of sites. All this will be presented to the working group at a future meeting.

9. As previously agreed, Chairs of Working Groups attend meetings of Executive when the recommendations of their Working Group are considered; Councillor Ayre will already be in attendance at this meeting as Executive Member for Culture, Leisure and Tourism and Chair of the Local Plan Working Group .

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10. The aim in referring these minutes accord with the Council's recognition that to achieve the priorities set out in the new Council Plan, the Council will listen to residents and provide a prosperous city for all.

Implications

11. There are no known implications in relation to the following in terms of dealing with the specific matter before Members, namely to consider the minutes and determine their response to the advice offered:

- **Financial**
- **Human Resources (HR)**
- **Equalities**
- **Legal**
- **Crime and Disorder**

- **Property**
- **Other**

Risk Management

12. In compliance with the Council's risk management strategy, there are no known risks associated with the recommendations of this report.

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Specialist Implications Officer(s) None

Wards Affected:

All

For further information please contact the author of the report

Annexes

Annex A – Draft minutes of the Local Plan Working Group relating to the City of York Local Plan - Objective Assessment of Housing Need and City of York Local Plan - Economic Growth

Background Papers

Agendas and associated reports for the items - available on the Council's website here

<http://democracy.york.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=128&MId=9066&Ver=4>