

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LOCAL PLAN CABINET SUB-COMMITTEE  
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 15 OCTOBER 2014**

**COUNCILLORS**

**PRESENT** Alan Sitkin (Cabinet Member for Economic Development), Ahmet Oykener (Cabinet Member for Housing and Estate Regeneration) and Ayfer Orhan (Cabinet Member for Education, Children's Services and Protection)

**ABSENT** Chris Bond (Cabinet Member for Environment and Community Safety)

**OFFICERS:** Ian Davis (Director of Regeneration & Environment), Paul Walker (Assistant Director Planning and Economic Development), Joanne Woodward (Head of Strategic Planning and Design), Natalie Broughton (Planning Policy Team Leader), Koulla Panaretou (Committee Secretary)

**Also Attending:** Cllr George Savva (Associate Cabinet Member)

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**WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies for absence were received from Cllr Ozzie Uzoanya, Cllr Bambos Charalambous and Cllr Chris Bond.

Apologies for lateness were received from Cllr Ayfer Orhan.

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**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest registered in respect of any items on the agenda.

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**URGENT ITEMS**

NOTED that the reports listed on the agenda had been circulated in accordance with the requirements of the Council's Constitution and the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information and Meetings) (England) regulations 2012. These requirements state that agendas and reports should be circulated at least 5 clear days in advance of meetings.

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#### **ADOPTION OF DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT DOCUMENT (DMD)**

RECEIVED a report from the Director of Regeneration & Environment requesting that the Local Plan Cabinet Sub Committee endorse the Development Management Document (DMD) recommending that it goes to Cabinet and Council for adoption.

NOTED

- The Planning Inspector's final report, attached as Appendix 1 of the report, concludes that the DMD is "sound" and legally compliant, in accordance with Government legislation.
- The DMD has an important role to enable the Council to control and guide planning decisions. Once adopted, it will have statutory weight, having gone through the various stages of consultation required by legislation over the last three years.
- Once adopted the DMD will form part of Enfield's Local Plan and policies within the document will be used alongside policies contained in the London Plan and adopted Core Strategy (2010) to determine planning applications in the borough.
- The DMD has undergone examination and no further changes can be made to the document at this stage. A review of the Core Strategy has commenced and consultations on this will begin early next year.
- There will be a presentation to Planning Committee on the 18<sup>th</sup> November and the DMD will proceed to Council on 19<sup>th</sup> November.

IN RESPONSE the following comments were received:

- Minor amendments to the Local Plan diagram to be made.
- The policy on density is based on the London Plan density ranges  
Opening hours – ranges for town centres within the DMD are 8am – 2am. Any proposal to open outside of these hours would need to be justified. The Chair requested an email to explain how this would be considered through the planning process. **ACTION: Joanne Woodward**
- English Heritage involvement as a statutory consultee confirmed. The amenity space standards in the DMD require less provision than the previous adopted standards – DM7 and DM9 refer.

**Alternative Options Considered:** None. It was imperative that the DMD be adopted to inform planning decisions, in the context of the changes to national planning policy guidance, to replace the remaining Unitary Development Plan policies (1994) and provide a robust up to date Local Plan.

**DECISION:** The Cabinet Sub-Committee agreed:

- To note receipt of the Planning Inspector's final report, attached to the main report as Appendix 1, concluding the Development Management

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Document to be “sound” and legally compliant, in accordance with Government legislation.

- To endorse the Development Management Document (Appendix 2) and recommend that it goes to Cabinet and Council for adoption.

**REASON:** The DMD should be adopted to inform planning decisions, in the context of the changes to national planning policy guidance, to replace the remaining Unitary Development Plan policies (1994) and provide a robust up to date Local Plan. Failure to do provide the DMD will result in a gap in policy. This would lead to poor quality development and/or development in inappropriate locations and would significantly harm the Council’s ability to meet its wider regeneration objectives.

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### **CONSULTATION AND COMMUNICATION STRATEGY FOR THE CENTRAL LEESIDE AREA ACTION PLAN**

RECEIVED a report from the Director of Regeneration and Environment providing an overview of the Consultation and Communication Strategy for the next stage of consultation in respect of the Proposed Submission Central Leaside Area Action Plan.

NOTED

1. On 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2014, the Local Plan Cabinet Sub Committee agreed the Proposed Submission Central Leaside Area Action Plan (CLAAP) in order for it to proceed to Cabinet and Full Council for approval.
2. In addition, an overview of the Consultation and Communication Strategy for this stage of consultation was requested at the last Local Plan Cabinet Sub Committee, the contents of which were noted. This document provided key messages for residents and businesses, such as:
  - a. More new homes
  - b. Improved public transport including station improvements and more frequent train services
  - c. Better links to the Lee Valley Regional Park
  - d. Improved employment opportunities
  - e. A new community hub
  - f. A new attractive boulevard running through Meridian Water.
  - g. A heat network to deliver low cost energy to local residents.
  - h. New local shopping facilities.
  - i. Opening up access and improvements to the waterfront.
  - j. Public realm improvements and creation of a good quality urban environment.
3. Following approval at Council (scheduled for 19<sup>th</sup> November) the CLAAP will be published for consultation before being submitted to the Government for examination.

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4. A review of the Council's Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) is currently under way and will be available for consideration at a future meeting.

**Alternative Options Considered:** None considered – the consultation arrangements set out in Annex 1 of the report will ensure that the Council complies with requirements set in the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.

**DECISION:** The Cabinet Sub-Committee agreed

- To note the overview of the Consultation and Communication Strategy provided in Annex 1 of the report, in line with the Proposed Submission Central Leaside Area Action Plan.

**REASON:** The overview of the Consultation and Communication Strategy provided in Annex 1 of the report was requested when the Proposed Submission Central Leaside Area Action Plan was agreed at the last Local Plan Cabinet Sub Committee on 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2014.

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### MINUTES FROM THE MEETING HELD ON 22ND SEPTEMBER 2014

AGREED that the minutes of the Local Plan Cabinet Sub-Committee held on 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2014 be approved.

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### DATE OF NEXT MEETING

AGREED that the date of the next meeting be Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2014 Room 6 @ 7pm (changed from Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December).

Meeting dates for future meetings are as follows:

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2015 @ 7pm Room 6  
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2015 @ 7pm Room 6