LOCAL PLAN CABINET SUB-COMMITTEE - 5.11.2015

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LOCAL PLAN CABINET SUB-COMMITTEE
HELD ON THURSDAY, 5 NOVEMBER 2015

COUNCILLORS

PRESENT

Alan Sitkin (Cabinet Member for Economic Regeneration & Business Development) and Daniel Anderson (Cabinet Member for Environment)

ABSENT

Ayfer Orhan (Cabinet Member for Education, Children's Services and Protection) and Ahmet Oykener (Cabinet Member for Housing and Housing Regeneration)

OFFICERS:

Joanne Woodward (Head of Strategic Planning and Design), Natalie Broughton (Planning Policy Team Leader), Gerry Ansell (Principal Planning Officer), Katherine Pelton (Planning Officer), Koulla Panaretou (Committee Secretary)

ALSO ATTENDING:

Councillor George Savva (Associate Cabinet Member)

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WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Vicki Pite (Associate Cabinet Member), Councillor Ayfer Orhan (Cabinet Member for Education, Children's Services and Protection), Councillor Ahmet Oykener (Cabinet Member for Education, Children's Services and Protection), Cllr Bambos Charalambous (Associate Cabinet Member)

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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 five clear days in advance of meetings.
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ENFIELD'S LOCAL PLAN: CONSULTATION ON A NEW PLAN FOR ENFIELD 2017-2032

RECEIVED the report of the Director of Regeneration and Environment (Report No. 110) seeking approval of the “Consultation on a New Plan for Enfield 2017 – 2032” document at Appendix 1 for the purposes of public consultation.

NOTED that

1. The report was considered at the Local Plan Cabinet Sub Committee meeting held on the 22nd October 2015 and following discussions was deferred to enable a revised document to be prepared. The revised document is named as Appendix 1.

2. The Council’s Local Plan (Core Strategy( 2010) needs to be fully updated to take account of matters such as changes to national and strategic policy, new infrastructure proposals, updated population figures and changes to economic trends. The consultation document proposes alternative growth scenarios and seeks input into land availability analysis through a “call for sites”.

3. Further to discussions, the following amendments were made to the document:

   a. Section 2.4.1 on page 16 of the document to be amended as follows:

      Delete …“There are 68 primary schools and 19 secondary schools” and insert “there are 66 primary schools and 18 secondary schools and 3 all through schools”

      First paragraph, add the following text to the second sentence “Additionally there are six special schools supporting the borough’s most vulnerable pupils”.

   b. Section 2.4.2 (p 16) of the document to be amended as follows: “Beyond that demand will be heavily dependent on the size and location of development that comes forward but the current projections, for the longer term, show the following for primary and secondary schools”.

Alternative Options Considered:

An alternative option would be to commence consultation at a later stage following completion of a programme of research. There are numerous major studies that need to be finalised in order to provide evidence for the formulation of local plan policies. It was, however, considered important to set
out broad scenarios at this early stage to seek early views and to test opinions on those opportunities.

**DECISION:** The Cabinet Sub-Committee agreed: To make the amendments to the Appendix 1 document detailed above and thereafter approved the document for the purposes of public consultation.

**Reason:**

The recommendation is made to ensure that Enfield puts in place an up to date local plan to provide a framework for development, guide investment, support regeneration and compulsory purchase. The document is a key policy instruction for development management, in particular, the determination of planning applications.

(Key Decision – Reference Number KD4106)

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**STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT (SCI) IN PLANNING - ADOPTION - KD4220**

RECEIVED the report of the Director of Regeneration and Environment (Report No. 109) seeking adoption of the Statement of Community Involvement (SCI), set out in Annex 1, page 15 of the agenda.

NOTED that

1. The Council published its first SCI in 2006. Since then there have been a series of important changes to planning law and regulations regarding the approach to Local Plan production, and consultation process for dealing with planning applications and appeals. As a result, the SCI has been updated to reflect these changes.

2. The new SCI has been expanded to include the engagement processes related to neighbourhood planning and the Council’s approach to Duty to Co-Operate, introduced by the Localism Act 2011, and the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL). The draft SCI was published for a six week consultation period in February 2015 and the consultation responses have informed the final version of the SCI set out in Annex 1.

3. The SCI seeks to ensure the active, meaningful and continued involvement of local communities and stakeholders in planning. It sets out a consultation strategy for the Council’s planning functions.

4. The revised SCI was published for a six week consultation through February/March 2015 and seven representations were received. Following this, further focused consultation was carried out with stakeholders. The representations received through consultation, how they were informed and the adoption version of the SCI is detailed in the Schedule of Representations set out in Annex 2 of the agenda pack (page 65).
Alternative Options Considered:

None. The SCI has been updated to reflect legislative changes.

DECISION: The Local Plan Cabinet Sub Committee agreed: to adopt the Statement of Community Involvement (SCI), set out in Annex 1 of the report.

Reason:

The SCI has been updated to reflect legislative changes required. (Key Decision – Reference Number KD4220).

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 22 OCTOBER 2015

AGREED that the minutes of the Local Plan Cabinet Sub-Committee held on the 22nd October 2015 be approved.

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DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

NOTED the following future meeting dates:

Thursday 26th November 2015 – Room 6, 7pm
Monday 14th December 2015 – Room 3, 7pm (additional meeting)
Tuesday 9th February 2016 – Room 3, 7pm
Wednesday 20th April 2016 – Room 3, 7pm

Please note: Briefing Sessions for all the above meetings will be held at 6:30pm in the Democratic Services Meeting Room, A Block, 1st Floor, Cellular Office.