Meeting: Council  
Date: Wednesday 19 July 2017  
Subject: Statement of community involvement  
Report of: Councillor Jonathan Dow on behalf of the cabinet

The council is asked to consider the minute and resolution of the cabinet meeting held on 12 July 2017 as set out below.

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The council is recommended to:-

(1) Adopt the statement of community involvement, as set out in appendix 3 to the cabinet report.

(2) Approve the revocation of the previous statement of community involvement (adopted 2006, amended 2009), as set out in appendix 4 to the cabinet report.

(3) Agree that any minor or technical adjustments found necessary in the statement of community involvement be delegated to the director of regeneration and planning in consultation with the lead cabinet member.

Minute extract  
Cabinet 12 July 2017

*20 Statement of community involvement.

20.1 Cabinet considered the report of the director of regeneration and planning. The Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 required local planning authorities to produce a statement of community involvement (SCI), explaining how they would engage local communities and other interested parties in producing their local plan and determining planning applications. It was a legal requirement that any consultation on local plans was undertaken in accordance with the adopted SCI.

20.2 The draft statement of community involvement (SCI) was published
for consultation with the local community and other stakeholders between 24 March and 18 May 2017, following authority from cabinet on 22 March 2017. Once adopted, the SCI would be used to guide consultation on planning policy documents. The current statement, adopted in 2006 and updated in 2009, was now out of date.

20.3 During the consultation on the SCI, a total of 21 representations were received from 11 respondents. This includes representations from the Clinical Commissioning Group, Highways England, Southern Water, the Health and Safety Executive, Natural England, Bespoke and five individuals. Six of the 21 representations did not comment on the content of the SCI. The full representations and the recommended officer response to the representations were contained in appendix 1 to the report. A schedule of changes recommended in light of those representations was provided as appendix 2 to the report. An amended version of the SCI as a result of the recommended changes was provided as appendix 3 to the report. A summary of the main issues raised during the consultation was given in the report.

*20.4 Resolved (budget and policy framework): (1) That cabinet endorse the statement of community involvement, as set out in appendix 3 to the report, and recommend its adoption by full council.

(2) That cabinet endorse, and recommend to full council, the revocation of the previous statement of community involvement (adopted 2006, amended 2009), as set out in appendix 4 to the report.

(3) That full council be recommended to agree that any minor or technical adjustments found necessary in the statement of community involvement be delegated to the director of regeneration and planning in consultation with the lead cabinet member.

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