

Executive Committee

2 March 2009

Notice of Decisions

Present:

Councillor Carole Gandy (Chair), Councillor Michael Braley (Vice-Chair) and Councillors P Anderson, J Brunner, B Clayton and M Hall

Also Present

Councillors M Chalk and M Shurmer and Mr M Collins, Vice-Chair of the Standards Committee

Officers:

R Bamford, S Hanley, G Harris, A Walsh and A Williams

Committee Services Officer:

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1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillor MacMillan.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3. LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Leader's Announcements.

4. CORE STRATEGY EVIDENCE BASE

RECOMMENDED that

- 1) **the Employment Land Review, Open Space Needs Assessment, 'Public Open Space Standards in the Borough', Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA), Strategic Flood Risk Assessment and Bromsgrove and Redditch SFRA and WCS Addendum, 'Study into the Future Growth Implications of Redditch Second Stage Report' and Technical Paper - Sustainability Appraisal and Sustainability Appraisal**

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Chair

Refresh be endorsed for the purposes of a period of public participation commencing on the 27 March 2009 and ending on the 8 May 2009.

- 2) authority be delegated to the Acting Development Plans Manager, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Local Environment, Planning and Transport, to make any further minor revisions to any appendices prior to the participation period commencing on the 27 March 2009 and this might include the addition of technical appendices to the SHLAA.**
- 3) authority be delegated to the Acting Development Plans Manager in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Local Environment, Planning and Transport to accept the final draft of the Water Cycle Strategy and publish for the purposes of public consultation commencing on 27 March and ending on 8 May 2009.**

(It was noted that there may be a need to modify the recommendation in respect of Appendix B (Open Space Needs Assessment) as Members and Officers were to undertake a site visit prior to the recommendation being considered at the Council meeting on 9 March 2009.

Officers corrected a typographical error in paragraph 5.3 of the covering report, noting that the figure in the final sentence should have read 59 hectares rather than 51 hectares as stated therein.)

5. BROMSGROVE AND STRATFORD-ON-AVON DISTRICT COUNCILS' CORE STRATEGY RESPONSES

RESOLVED that

the responses from Redditch Borough Council to the Bromsgrove and Stratford Draft Core Strategy Documents (Appendices A and B) be retrospectively endorsed, subject to the submission of an addendum to the response to Stratford-on-Avon expressing the Council's desire to see B1 (Business) use only on the Winyates Triangle site and access to this site being gained from the A435, with the wording to this addendum being agreed in consultation with the Leader of the Council.

(Officers undertook to provide Councillor Hall with further information concerning Gypsy, Traveller and Show People's sites in Bromsgrove District following the meeting.)

6. THE WORCESTERSHIRE ECONOMIC STRATEGY AND DELIVERY PLAN

RESOLVED that

if Redditch is designated a Settlement of Significant Development in the Regional Spatial Strategy, the Worcestershire Economic Strategy and Delivery Plan be endorsed subject to the amendments in Appendix A;

or

if Redditch is not designated a Settlement of Significant Development in the Regional Spatial Strategy, the Worcestershire Economic Strategy and Delivery Plan be endorsed subject to the amendments in Appendix B.

(Members were keen that both local Civic and Business Leaders be actively engaged in the role of ambassadors for the town in order that Redditch might be promoted as a place in which to do business and that this be reflected in the developing Redditch Economic Strategy.)

7. OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Members received the minutes of a recent meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee. The minutes incorporated the Overview and Scrutiny Committee's consideration of the final report from the Worcestershire Joint Scrutiny into Flooding Task and Finish Group. A number of recommendations had arisen from consideration of this report.

RESOLVED that

- 1) the minutes of the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 4 February 2009 be received and noted;**
- 2) a working party of relevant Officers assess the implications of the Worcestershire Joint Scrutiny into Flooding final recommendations for Redditch Borough Council;**
- 3) the working party of Officers present the Task and Finish Group's final recommendations at a meeting of the Executive Committee alongside their comments; and**

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- 4) an all Member emergency planning training session be set up.
8. **MINUTES / REFERRALS - OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE, EXECUTIVE PANELS, NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUPS ETC.**

There were no minutes or referrals under this item.

The Meeting commenced at 7.00pm
and closed at 8.55pm.

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