

## **PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Minutes of a meeting of the Planning Committee of Bolsover District Council held in Chamber Suites 1 and 2, The Arc, Clowne on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2015 at 1000 hours.

### **PRESENT:-**

Members:-

Councillor D. McGregor in the Chair

Councillors T. Alexander, P.M. Bowmer, J.A. Clifton, T. Connerton, C.P. Cooper, M. Dooley, S.W. Fritchley, H.J. Gilmour, T. Munro, B.R. Murray-Carr, M.J. Ritchie, S. Statter, B. Watson, D. Watson and J. Wilson

Officers:-

J. Arnold (Assistant Director – Planning and Environmental Health), H. Fairfax (Planning Policy Manager), C. Doy (Development Control Manager), S. Chambers (Communications Manager) and A. Brownsword (Governance Officer)

### **0436. APOLOGY**

An apology for absence was received from Councillor M.G. Crane.

### **0437. URGENT ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

There were no urgent items of business.

### **0438. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest

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### 0439. MINUTES – 16<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2015

Moved by Councillor T. Munro and seconded by Councillor M. Dooley

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of a meeting of the Planning Committee of Bolsover District Council held on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2015 be approved as a true and correct record.

### 0440. PLANNING SITE VISIT NOTES – 16<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2015

Moved by Councillor D. McGregor and seconded by Councillor J. Wilson

**RESOLVED** that the notes of a Planning Site Visit held on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2015 be approved as a true and correct record.

### 0441. PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME TO ENABLE CONSULTATION ON THE COUNCIL'S IDENTIFIED STRATEGIC OPTIONS

The Planning Policy Manager presented the report which outlined the proposal to consult with the public and other interested parties on the Strategic Options identified by the Local Plan Steering Group. This was instead of consulting on a Preferred Option and Reasonable Alternatives as currently scheduled in the Local Development Scheme.

The Local Development Scheme would also require amendment to keep the public informed and to protect the Council from future challenge.

Moved by Councillor D. McGregor and seconded by Councillor S.W. Fritchley

**RESOLVED** that (1) the proposal to amend the consultation scheduled for October 2015 to focus on the Council's Identified Strategic Options rather than a Preferred Option and the Reasonable Alternatives, as currently stated in the Local Development Scheme be approved,

(2) the amendment of the Local Development Scheme be approved and take effect immediately,

(3) the making of a statement to reflect the proposed decision, as set out in Appendix 1 to the report, be approved.

(Planning Policy Manager)

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### 0442. IDENTIFIED STRATEGIC OPTIONS FOR THE NEW LOCAL PLAN AND PROPOSED CONSULTATION ARRANGEMENTS

The Planning Policy Manager presented the report which sought approval for public consultation on the Strategic Options and Vision and Objectives. The report also sought approval for the format of the proposed public consultation exercise.

All Members and Officers had been consulted and explanatory text would be added to the document prior to consultation, it should be borne in mind that the options were included in no particular order.

The consultation period would run for six weeks and would be open to the general public. All those who had expressed an interest would be notified and a press release prepared. Members could also make further comments during this time.

A discussion took place regarding how the options were presented and Members expressed their concerns that not all the options were worded in the same way and it could be construed that one option was favoured. The Planning Policy Manager assured Members that the wording would be looked at.

Moved by Councillor D. McGregor and seconded by Councillor T. Munro

**RESOLVED** that (1) the identified Strategic Options and the Vision and Objectives as set out in Appendix 1 of the report be approved for consultation,

(2) the proposed format and arrangements for consultation as outlined at paragraphs 1.8 to 1.10 of the report be approved,

(3) the final content of the consultation material and the detailed dates and arrangements for consultation be delegated to the Assistant Director – Planning and Environmental Health in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair of the Planning Committee.

(Planning Policy Manager)

The meeting concluded at 1020 hours.