

East Herts Council – Non-Key Decision Record

Record of executive decision made by an individual under Regulation 13 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012

Reference Number: NKD23/02

Taken by: Councillor Linda Haysey – Leader of the Council

Decision

That Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council be informed that East Herts Council:

- (A) cannot support the proposed Main Modification at the second bullet point of Policy SP19 criterion b) regarding the proposed wording in relation to pitch provision for Gypsies and Travellers as part of the allocation; and**
- (B) suggests that the policy wording is amended as follows: b) two serviced sites for Gypsies and Travellers (4 pitches to be delivered in East Herts and 11 pitches to be delivered in Welwyn Hatfield) to contribute towards meeting the local needs of both authorities, the locations to be determined through the Masterplanning process, taking into account the latest Accommodation Needs evidence of each authority.**

Date of Decision

6th February 2023

Reason(s) for decision

This report proposes a response to Welwyn Hatfield's consultation on its Main Modifications to the Welwyn Hatfield Local Plan.

Details of alternative options considered and rejected

The Council could choose not to submit the comments to the Main Modifications consultation. However, not submitting this report to the Main Modifications consultation wouldn't allow East Herts Council to put forward its views, and consequently the views of East Herts would not be considered by the Inspector. Not raising the issue could have an impact on the delivery of the Gypsy and Traveller provision at Land East of Welwyn Garden City.

Does the decision or report contain exempt information?

No

State nature of any declaration of conflict of interest made by any Executive Member who is consulted by the Member taking the decision

None

State, in respect of any declared conflict of interest, whether any dispensation has been granted

None

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