

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
EXECUTIVE HELD IN THE COUNCIL
CHAMBER, WALLFIELDS, HERTFORD ON
TUESDAY 21 JANUARY 2014, AT 7.00 PM

PRESENT: Councillor A Jackson (Chairman/Leader)
Councillors M Alexander, M Carver,
L Haysey, P Phillips, S Rutland-Barsby and
M Tindale.

ALSO PRESENT:

Councillors D Andrews, G Jones,
G McAndrew, M McMullen, P Moore,
P Ruffles and J Wing.

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Simon Drinkwater	- Director of Neighbourhood Services
Martin Ibrahim	- Democratic Services Team Leader
George A Robertson	- Chief Executive and Director of Customer and Community Services
Adele Taylor	- Director of Finance and Support Services

474 **DUTY TO CO-OPERATE – UPDATE REPORT**

The Executive considered and supported the recommendations of the District Planning Executive Panel, at its meeting held on 16 January 2014, on the Duty to Co-Operate – Update Report.

RECOMMENDED – that the notes of recent Member-level meetings with Broxbourne, Epping Forest and Welwyn Hatfield Councils, be agreed.

(see also Minute 481)

475 **INTERIM DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY REPORT
(JANUARY 2014)**

The Executive considered and supported the recommendations of the District Planning Executive Panel, at its meeting held on 16 January 2014, on the Interim Development Strategy Report (January 2014).

In response to questions and comments by Members, the Executive Member for Strategic Planning and Transport looked forward to receiving comments from the public and statutory consultees during the formal consultation period. All comments received would be considered at the end of the consultation period.

RECOMMENDED – that (A) the Interim Development Strategy Report, January 2014, be agreed as part of the evidence base to inform and support the East Herts District Plan; and

(B) the Head of Planning and Building Control, in consultation with the Executive Member for Strategic Planning and Transport, be authorised to make non-material, and typographical corrections to the Interim Development Strategy Report and Essential Reference Papers, prior to publication for consultation purposes.

(see also Minute 481)

476 **INFRASTRUCTURE TOPIC PAPER (JANUARY 2014)**

The Executive considered and supported the recommendations of the District Planning Executive Panel, at its meeting held on 16 January 2014, on the

Infrastructure Topic Paper (January 2014).

RECOMMENDED – that the Infrastructure Topic Paper, January 2014, be agreed as part of the evidence base to inform and support the East Herts District Plan.

(see also Minute 481)

477 **INTERIM SUSTAINABILITY APPRAISAL REPORT
(DECEMBER 2013)**

The Executive considered and supported the recommendations of the District Planning Executive Panel, at its meeting held on 16 January 2014, on the Interim Sustainability Appraisal Report (December 2013).

RECOMMENDED – that (A) the Interim Sustainability Appraisal of the East Herts District Plan, January 2014, be agreed as part of the evidence base to inform and support the Draft East Herts District Plan (Preferred Options) (January 2014);

(B) the Council's response as detailed in Section 11.3 Tables 11.3 and 11.4 to the Interim SA, be incorporated into the Consultation version of the Interim Development Strategy Report (January 2014); and

(C) the Head of Planning and Building Control, in consultation with the Executive Member for Strategic Planning and Transport, be authorised to make non-material, and typographical corrections to the Interim Sustainability Appraisal.

(see also Minute 481)

478 **DRAFT EAST HERTS DISTRICT PLAN (PREFERRED OPTIONS) (JANUARY 2014)**

The Executive considered and supported the recommendations of the District Planning Executive Panel, at its meeting held on 16 January 2014, on the Draft East Herts District Plan (Preferred Options) (January 2014).

The Executive Member for Strategic Planning and Transport confirmed that the exact start date for the public consultation had yet to be finalised, given the printing arrangements that needed to be put in place, but that Officers were working towards 27 February 2014.

RECOMMENDED – that the Draft East Herts District Plan (January 2014), as detailed at Essential Reference Paper ‘B’ of the report now submitted, be agreed and made available for public consultation for a period of twelve weeks, in accordance with Regulation 18 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012;

(B) the Consultation Strategy, as detailed at Essential Reference Paper ‘F’ of the report now submitted, be agreed; and

(C) the Head of Planning and Building Control, in consultation with the Executive Member for Strategic Planning and Transport, be authorised to make non-material, and typographical corrections to the Draft District Plan, prior to publication for consultation purposes.

(see also Minute 481)

479 **MINUTES**

RESOLVED – that the Minutes of the Executive meeting held on 9 December 2013 be approved as a

correct record and signed by the Leader.

480 REQUEST FOR AREA DESIGNATION FOR NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING: HERTFORD HEATH

The Executive Member for Strategic Planning and Transport and submitted a report seeking consideration of an application for the designation of a Neighbourhood Area from Hertford Heath Parish Council.

The Executive considered the application and the consultation undertaken. The report submitted detailed the main areas of consideration in determining the application in accordance with Schedule 9 of the Localism Act 2011.

The Executive supported the application.

RESOLVED - that the application for the designation of a Neighbourhood Area, submitted by Hertford Heath Parish Council, be supported.

481 DISTRICT PLANNING EXECUTIVE PANEL: MINUTES - 16 JANUARY 2014

RESOLVED – that the Minutes of the District Planning Executive Panel meeting, held on 16 January 2014, be received.

(see also Minutes 474 - 478)

The meeting closed at 7.20 pm

Chairman

Date