EAST HERTS COUNCIL

<u>DISTRICT PLANNING EXECUTIVE PANEL - 15 SEPTEMBER 2016</u>

REPORT BY LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

EAST HERTS DISTRICT PLAN – PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO FINAL TEXT OF THE EAST HERTS DISTRICT PLAN PRE-SUBMISSION VERSION, 2016

WARD(S) AFFECTED: ALL

Purpose/Summary of Report

The purpose of this report is:

 To present to Members a schedule of proposed amendments to address issues which have arisen since previous District Planning Executive Panel consideration of related chapters and to seek agreement to include these within the East Herts District Plan Pre-Submission Version, 2016.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR DISTRICT PLANNING EXECUTIVE PANEL: That Council, via the Executive, be advised that:

(A) the amendments to the East Herts District Plan Pre-Submission Version, 2016, as detailed at Essential Reference 'B' to this report, be agreed.

1.0 Background

- 1.1 The District Plan sets out the Council's planning framework for the district. Once adopted, the policies in the District Plan will replace the policies in the Local Plan 2007. It covers the period 2011–2033.
- 1.2 Over foregoing months, draft revised District Plan chapters have been considered by Members at District Plan Executive Panel meetings on the 24 May, 21 July, 25 August and 8 September 2016. Subsequent to these meetings, various matters have been identified, which necessitate amendments being made to previously considered text.

1.3 This report details the proposed amendments to the East Herts District Plan and seeks agreement of these for incorporation into the version for consultation under Regulation 19 of the Town and Country (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 as amended.

2.0 Report

- 2.1 As detailed above, since the initial consideration by Members of individual chapters through various meetings of the District Planning Executive Panel, the need for various amendments to the previously agreed text has been identified.
- 2.2 The majority of the issues raised relate to updated web links, cross-referencing to other parts of the Plan where these have subsequently been altered and typographical errors. However, there are also included some additional proposed revisions of text of a more material nature.
- 2.3 The consequential proposed amendments are included in a table, which is detailed at **Essential Reference 'B'** to this report. The table sets out, in chapter order, the issues which have arisen and the changes which are proposed to address these.
- 2.4 It should be noted that this report was written prior to the District Planning Executive Panel meeting of 8th September and, therefore, any matters which have arisen since that date will be reported either as an addendum to **Essential Reference 'B'**, or verbally at the meeting, as appropriate. Furthermore, the process of checking that internet links are current is ongoing. While this is likely to necessitate further amendments to the Plan, as these are of a minor nature, it is not intended that these will be reported to Members.
- 2.5 Members are invited to agree the proposed amendments.

3.0 <u>Implications/Consultations</u>

Information on any corporate issues and consultation associated with this report can be found within **Essential Reference Paper** 'A'.

Background Papers

Previous District Planning Executive Panel reports are all available at: http://democracy.eastherts.gov.uk/mgCommitteeDetails.aspx?ID=151

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