BOROUGH OF KETTERING

PLANNING POLICY COMMITTEE

Meeting held: 6th June 2018

Present: Councillor Ian Jelley (Chair)
Councillors Duncan Bain, Ash Davies, Ruth Groome,
Mark Rowley, Jan Smith and Margaret Talbot

18.PP.01 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Michael Tebbutt and June Derbyshire. It was noted that Councillors Mark Rowley and Margaret Talbot would be acting as substitutes.

18.PP.02 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

18.PP.03 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 19th April 2018 be approved and signed as a correct record.

18.PP.03 SITE SPECIFIC PART 2 LOCAL PLAN: HOUSING ALLOCATIONS BACKGROUND PAPER

A report was submitted which sought Members’ endorsement of the Housing Allocations Background Paper to support the presentation of the Site Specific Part 2 Local Plan (SSP2): Draft Plan for consultation.

Members heard there were a number of Background Papers which had been prepared as an evidence base to inform the emerging SSP2 which had been previously endorsed by the Planning Policy Committee.

Housing allocations for different areas were considered at the Planning Policy Committee on various dates. Members made decisions on which sites should be designated as draft housing allocations in the Draft Site Specific Part 2 Local Plan.
It was noted that the consultation on the Draft Site Specific Part 2 Local Plan would take place in June/July 2018.

Members complimented officers on the comprehensive report and it was

RESOLVED that Members endorse the Housing Allocations Background Paper.

18.PP.04 SITE SPECIFIC PART 2 LOCAL PLAN: DRAFT PLAN FOR CONSULTATION

A report was submitted which sought agreement to the contents of the Site Specific Part 2 Local Plan – Draft Plan for consultation and to agree the methods of consultation.

Members heard that the Site Specific Part 2 Local Plan (SSP2) would form part of the statutory North Northamptonshire Development Plan, and would provide local planning policies to cover Kettering Borough. The plan would include the identification of sites for housing, employment, recreation and other land uses and would be used alongside the Joint Core Spatial Strategy.

An outline of each section of the plan was given to members as detailed in the report. The following points were also noted:

- Some areas in the Kettering chapter would need to be amended in relation to settlements to take into account recent planning decisions. These parts would be amended prior to the consultation.
- Comments had been received regarding discounted land at Desborough, questioning the decision and the settlement amendment.
- The facilities in each area would be updated prior to the consultation to take into account any omissions or permanent change in circumstance.

It was noted that the consultation was scheduled to take place in June/July 2018. It was proposed the consultation would run for six weeks and would include:

- Letter/ e-mail to consultees
- General press release informing of consultation
- Information on the Council’s website
- Information on the Council’s social media
- Report to Kettering Town (25th June), A6 Towns (27th June) and Rural Forums (28th June)
• Information packs for Parish Councils, schools, community groups and for Ward Councillors to give out
• Posters, for example to be displayed on village notice boards, in libraries and community buildings
• Inspection copies of the plan available at the Council Offices and libraries
• Events would take place in each of the towns and three villages listed below. The events would address the wider area and rural parishes would be invited to attend any of these events. In the past, events have been successful where Members have attended and spoken directly to interested parties. It would be appreciated if Member’s could attend events, a timetable for events will be provided when the events have been finalised.
  ➢ Kettering
  ➢ Burton Latimer
  ➢ Desborough
  ➢ Rothwell
  ➢ Geddington
  ➢ Mawsley
  ➢ Wilbarston

Members heard that the consultation on the Draft Plan was not a formal consultation stage but would contribute towards ensuring that stakeholders and local communities could input into the plan at an early stage. The next consultation of the SSP2 would be the Pre-submission consultation, which would take place October-December 2018.

During discussion members felt it was very important for them to be part of the consultation events and to help raise awareness to members of the public of the importance of taking part in the consultation.

Following discussion it was

**RESOLVED** that

a) Members agree the Site Specific Part 2 Local Plan for consultation, and the consultation strategy proposed in section 3 of this report; and
b) Final editing of the Site Specific Part 2 Local Plan be delegated to the Head of Development Services in consultation with the Chair of Planning Policy Committee.
(The meeting started at 6.30 pm and ended at 7.00 pm)

Signed  ………………………..................................

Chair