

HAMBLETON DISTRICT COUNCIL

Report To: Cabinet
6 November 2018

Subject: **REVISED LOCAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME**

**All Wards outside North York Moors National Park
Portfolio Holder for Planning: Councillor D A Webster**

1.0 PURPOSE AND BACKGROUND:

- 1.1 A Local Development Scheme is required under Section 15 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended by the Localism Act 2011). The Local Development Scheme sets out the timetable for the production of the Local Development Documents which make up the Council's Development Plan. The process for the preparation of a development plan is prescribed by statute and regulations which is reflected in the work programme. The Local Development Scheme must be made available publically and kept up-to-date.
- 1.2 On 16 September 2014 Council agreed to proceed with a new Local Plan, to completely replace the existing Local Development Framework. The new Local Plan will have a plan period running from adoption to the year 2035.
- 1.3 The preparation of the new Local Plan is well underway and the first two stages of preparation have been completed in accordance with the timescales set out in the current Local Development Scheme.
- 1.4 In April 2018 a revised Local Development Scheme was adopted which set out the timetable for the preparation of the Local Plan. It was produced in response to the publication for consultation of the draft National Planning Policy Framework on 5 March 2018 and allowed for a short delay to allow for consistency checking with the draft National Planning Policy Framework prior to Publication.
- 1.5 Since the current timetable was adopted the final version of the revised National Planning Policy Framework has been published (24 July 2018). The revised National Planning Policy Framework introduces a significant number of new requirements for Local Plan production, as well as introducing changes to existing policy requirements. While there are no requirements that necessitate significant revision to the work completed to date or that would potentially undermine the established preferred options ensuring that the draft plan conforms with the National Planning Policy Framework will take some time.
- 1.6 A new Local Development Scheme has been prepared and is attached at Appendix 1. The revised timescale incorporates time for the work necessary to ensure conformity with the National Planning Policy Framework to be completed prior to Publication of the plan. The timetable includes the Submission milestone towards the end of 2019 and the Adoption milestone before the end of 2020. A copy of the revised Local Development Scheme will be published on the Council's website.

2.0 LINK TO COUNCIL PRIORITIES:

- 2.1 The publication of a new Local Plan is a priority project for the Council and will help to deliver the vision of Hambleton as a place to grow.

3.0 **RISK ASSESSMENT:**

3.1 There are no risks in approving the recommendation.

3.2 The key risk is in not approving the recommendation(s) as shown below:-

Risk	Implication	Prob*	Imp*	Total	Preventative action
The Local Plan is not prepared in accordance with the published Local Development Scheme, as required by section 15 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act	The Local Plan could fail legal compliance test at examination	5	5	25	Publish the revised Local Development Scheme

Prob = Probability, Imp = Impact, Score range is Low = 1, High = 5

4.0 **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

4.1 There is no cost associated with the preparation and publication of the Local Development Scheme.

5.0 **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:**

5.1 Failure to prepare the Local Plan in accordance with a published Local Development Scheme could result in a legal compliance failure at examination, as identified at 3.2 above.

6.0 **EQUALITY/DIVERSITY ISSUES**

6.1 Equality and Diversity Issues have been considered however there are no issues associated with this report.

7.0 **RECOMMENDATION(S):**

7.1 That Cabinet approves the publication of the Local Development Scheme.

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Background papers: None

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