

Uttlesford Local Development Framework

Environment Committee, item 8

Committee: Environment

Agenda Item

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Title: Uttlesford Local Development Framework
Local Development Scheme – 2nd
Revision

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Item for
decision

Summary

1. The First Revision to the Local Development Scheme (LDS) was brought into effect in July this year. In order to make sure that the Core Strategy meets the tests of soundness additional work is needed which will have implications for the timetable and a revised LDS has been prepared.

Recommendations

2. That the committee approve the revised LDS for submission to the Secretary of State.

Background Papers

None

Impact

Communication/Consultation	When the revised LDS comes into effect it will be put on the website and made available for inspection at the offices in Saffron Walden and Great Dunmow.
Community Safety	Nil
Equalities	Nil
Finance	Nil
Human Rights	Nil
Legal implications	Nil
Ward-specific impacts	All
Workforce/Workplace	Nil

Situation

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3. Consultation on the Issues and Options for the Core Strategy took place over the summer. In the current LDS, consultation on preferred options should be taking place in October/November. However, responses to the Issues and Options have raised issues about the possible soundness of the plan. Officers consider that the most appropriate way to address this would be to hold a further, more detailed issues and options consultation in Jan/Feb 2007 and proceed to consultation on preferred options in August/September 2007. This will also allow any implications arising from the publication of changes to the RSS to be fully taken into account. The Core Strategy would then be submitted in February 2008 and adopted in April 2009. These revisions will have knock on effects on the timetables for the Site Specific and Development Control DPD's. Consultation on Issues and Options for these will not start until the Core Strategy policies have been submitted to the Sec of State and they would not be adopted until July 2010.
4. The revised LDS can be viewed on the website under Planning/Local Plans and Local Development Framework/The Local Development Scheme. New text is shown **highlighted**. Deleted text is shown with a ~~strikethrough~~.
5. The revised LDS will be sent to the Secretary of State who then has 28 days to consider it. It will also be sent to the Planning Inspectorate for information. If no direction is received from the Secretary of State, then the revised Local Development Scheme can come into effect after that time following resolution by Council.

Risk Analysis

Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Mitigating actions
The Sec of State issues a direction	Low	The revised LDS will not come into effect.	Sec of State consulted in advance of the proposed changes.