

TO: ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

ON: 10 APRIL 2002

Agenda Item No: 2

Title: GREATER CAMBRIDGE PARTNERSHIP

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Summary

- 1 At its meeting on 18 September, 2001 the Environment & Transport Committee considered a report on whether to join the Greater Cambridge Partnership. This is a public private sector partnership similar to the Essex Economic Partnership. It aims to provide an overall direction for the area , influence various plans and strategies of the main agencies within the area and to lobby Government to ensure that the needs of the Cambridge area are taken into account in national policy considerations.
- 2 It was decided at the September meeting that Councillors Mrs J Cheetham and Councillor Mrs E Tealby- Watson would attend a meeting to find out more about the Partnership. The Chief Executive of Cambridge City Council and the Director of the Partnership visited Uttlesford on 20 March and met with Councillors Mrs Cheetham and Mrs Tealby-Watson and officers to explain in more detail the work of the Partnership. The value of public and private sector organisations working together across the Greater Cambridge area was stressed in analysing and influencing future direction and growth. Current membership of the Partnership includes St Edmundsbury Council and Forest Heath as well as districts within Cambridgeshire and Cambridgeshire County Council. The Partnership also receives funding from the East of England Development Agency. A further oral report on the discussion will be made at the meeting.
- 3 The essential issue for Members will be to decide whether the Council wishes to be an active member of the Partnership. The current annual subscription is £5,000

RECOMMENDED that this Council should be a full member of the Greater Cambridge Partnership

Background Papers

Greater Cambridge Partnership - Investing in Success - Action Plan – July 2001

Agenda Item No: 3

**Title: Uttlesford Local Plan Deposit Draft October 2001
Report of Representations, comments and
Recommendations**

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Summary

- 1 Members are asked to consider the accompanying document which summarises the representations of support and objection to the deposit local plan. All the representations are commented upon and a recommendation made as to whether the plan should be changed in the light of objections to the plan. Members are asked to agree the recommendations made.
- 2 The report follows the same sequence of chapters as the Deposit plan. Representations are either commented upon individually or where several representations are making a common point, a single comment is made.

Background

The Plan was placed on deposit between the 8 November and 20 December 2001. Representations were received from 231 different persons who made a total of 934 different representations of objection or support.

Upon Member's agreement of the changes to be made, a revised plan will be produced. This will clearly indicate the changes that have been made from the initially deposited plan. This revised deposit plan will be the subject to a six-week period of consultation which we anticipate will take place in the summer.

The scope for objections or representations of support at the revised deposit stage will be limited to those proposals which the Council have changed between the deposit and revised deposit stage.

An inspector at a Public local inquiry will consider any outstanding objections. It is anticipated that this will be held in the Spring 2003.

RECOMMENDED that the Local Plan Deposit Draft October 2001 be amended as set out in the Report of Representations, Comments and Recommendations; and that officers be authorised to make any consequential or other changes of an editorial nature, and correct any cartographical errors.

Background Papers: Report of Representations, Comments and
Recommendations April 2002