

**LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK WORKING GROUP held
at COUNCIL OFFICES LONDON ROAD SAFFRON WALDEN at
2.00 pm on 8 JULY 2011**

Present: - Councillors S Barker, J Cheetham, D Crome, E Godwin, J Ketteridge, J Menell, E Oliver, V Ranger, and H Rolfe.

Officers in attendance: - R Harborough (Director of Public Services), M Jones (Principal Planning Officer), S Nicholas (Senior Planning Officer), C Roberts (Democratic Services Officer), A Storah (Planning Officer), A Taylor (Divisional Head of Planning and Building Control)

LDF1 ELECTION

RESOLVED that Councillor J Ketteridge be elected Chairman of the Working Group for the ensuing municipal year.

LDF2 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors C Cant, J I Loughlin and D Watson.

LDF3 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 28 February 2011 be approved and signed as a correct record subject to the correction of a typographical error in Minute LDF12.

**LDF4 CONSIDERATION OF CALA HOMES JUDGEMENT AND
IMPACT ON LDF PROCESS AND TIMELINE**

The Working Group received a presentation on this subject by the Divisional Head of Planning and Building Control.

He set out the key consultation dates in the LDF Process and the expected implementation dates for relevant parts of the Localism Bill.

He re-visited the Council's obligations regarding 5 year land supply, and made suggestions in general terms for ways of meeting these

obligations, incorporating re-programming of consultation on both Core Strategy and Development Management Policies (including consultation on the Locally Derived Housing figure) for June 2012.

He concluded by describing planning topics to be included in the Core Strategy as a part of the Council's longer term response to the Bill.

Members discussed the issues arising and accepted that swift action was necessary to meet the annual requirement.

Councillor Rolfe suggested that officers draw up a list of SHLAA sites ranked and assess them in terms of whether they are suitable, available and achievable and that these be discussed at a future meeting .

Members agreed to meet again shortly to discuss ranked sites.

The meeting ended at 3.30pm