

Committee: Planning Policy Working Group

Agenda Item

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Title: Economic Evidence – Uttlesford Stansted Scenarios summary paper and spreadsheet

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Summary

1. This report, which is for information, is about further work that the Council has commissioned on employment forecasting, taking account of expansion plans at Stansted Airport. This work supplements an earlier published report, and will form part of the Council's emerging Local Plan evidence base.

Recommendations

2. That the Working Group note the published Uttlesford Stansted Scenarios summary paper and spreadsheet, and their adoption into the Local Plan evidence base.

Financial Implications

3. Costs of the document were met from existing budgets.

Background Papers

4. None.

Impact

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Communication/Consultation	The documents have been published on the website.
Community Safety	N/A
Equalities	The policy documents which will be prepared are subject to separate equalities impact assessments.
Health and Safety	N/A
Human Rights/Legal Implications	N/A
Sustainability	The policy documents which will be prepared are subject to separate

	sustainability assessments.
Ward-specific impacts	All
Workforce/Workplace	Existing staff resources.

Situation

6. The Working Group will recall that the report “Economic Evidence to Support the Development of the OAHN (*Objectively Assessed Housing Need*) for West Essex and East Herts” prepared by Hardisty Jones has been published, and was reported to the Working Group’s meeting on 29th September (Agenda Item 5).
7. Hardisty Jones has been commissioned by the Council to provide a district-wide projection of employment by sectors up to 2033 based on the high and low growth scenarios at Stansted Airport referred to in its original report. These scenarios are 45 million passengers per annum (mppa) - and 35mppa respectively. These scenarios have been prepared taking into account Manchester Airports Group’s aspirations for airport growth expressed in its Sustainable Development Plan which was published earlier this year.
8. This work has now been completed in the form of a short summary paper (attached) and an MS Excel spreadsheet, both of which will be available on the UDC website as a background study. The spreadsheet sets out employment numbers and percentage change by employment sectors up to 2033 for the two growth scenarios and the 2014 EEFM baseline.

Risk Analysis

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Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Mitigating actions
The plan may be found unsound because the plan has not been prepared in accordance with up to date and robust evidence.	1. The production of robust evidence using experienced consultants reduces the risk of impact.	3. If the plan is found unsound this will cause delay and uncertainty.	Ensure that the evidence base is kept up to date and refreshed as necessary.

1 = Little or no risk or impact

2 = Some risk or impact – action may be necessary.

3 = Significant risk or impact – action required

4 = Near certainty of risk occurring, catastrophic effect or failure of project.

