

## **Member Motion: Planning White Paper**

### **Further amendment as proposed by Councillor Caton**

#### **Council – Thursday, 8 October**

##### **Original Motion Proposed by Councillor Loughlin**

##### **Amendment proposed by Councillor Evans**

In the event that Councillor Evans' amendment is carried and becomes the substantive motion at Council, Councillor Caton has provided notice of a further amendment (new wording in red, deleted text has been struck through):

This Council ~~being of the opinion~~ that there is cross party consensus to seek to improve **is committed to improving** the planning system **but** does not consider that the proposed reforms in the White Paper "Planning For The Future" published in August 2020 achieve that aim.

This Council **notes** the responses given on its behalf on 1 October 2020 by the Leader to a Consultation upon "Changes to the current planning system", which it endorses.

This Council **resolves to** submit a response to the White Paper consultation which will (among other matters):

- 1.** support the local determination of the planning framework and planning applications which will enable local communities to continue to shape their future;
- 2.** oppose the granting of automatic rights for developers to build on land identified "for growth" in Local Plans made under the proposed new plan making process
- 3.** advocate the continuation of the third tiers' and residents' entitlement to be consulted upon planning policy and to submit effective representations upon planning development applications;
- 4.** support the provision of at least the same amount of affordable housing on site as at present;
- 5.** promote the effective supply and early use of any infrastructure levy, which should be locally and not nationally set;
- 6.** support proper consideration of the effective stewardship and enhancement of the natural and historic environment, noting with regret that no consultation is currently sought on this topic;
- 7.** object to the use of "pattern book" model for all new development;
- 8.** support the value and materiality of Neighbourhood Plans; and
- 9.** support the greater and improved use of digital technology in the development planning management process.

This Council **further resolves:**

- 10.** to submit a copy of its responses and representations to the Minister of Housing, Communities and Local Government in further support of the briefing meeting held by Officers with his Officials in September 2020, and in addition to write to and lobby Mrs Kemi Badenoch MP urging her to oppose the proposals in so far as they seek to limit democratic participation in local planning matters and to request her support for the above resolutions; and
- 11.** to highlight its concerns with the third tiers directly and with residents via press and social media.

