

PROPOSAL FORM FOR ITEMS

FOR CONSIDERATION BY SCRUTINY

Submitted by : Colin Brown Chairman

Item for Consideration: 5 Year Land Supply situation

Expected outcome: Review new policies, new procedures, in relation to its policy objectives of Local Plan legal requirement for a 5 year Land supply

Priority for matter to be considered:

- High (up to 3 months) Medium (3-6 months) Low (over 9 months).

Basis on which priority has been set: Urgent issues following the decline of Council to participate in the GESP

The suggested item should be included in future programme(s) because: (please tick as appropriate)

- a) It is a district level function over which the district has some control
- b) It is a recently introduced policy, service area of activity which would be timely to review
- c) It is a policy which has been running for some time and is due for review
- d) It is a major proposal for change
- e) It is an issue raised via complaints received
- f) It is an area of public concern
- g) It is an area of poor performance
- h) It would be of benefit to residents of the district

Which of the Council's objectives does the issue address?

Spatial Development at Parish, Town and District level

Is there a deadline for the Council to make a decision? It is urgent to review this topic before another SPC Committee

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Members are requested to provide information on the following:-

What do you wish to achieve from the review?

Legal and cost-effective procedures and Independence of SPC Committee from political bias

Are the desired outcomes likely to be achievable?

Yes

Will it change/increase efficiency and cost effectiveness?

That is the intention, but even more important are the legal ramifications

Additional information – an explanatory sentence or paragraph to be provided below to support each box which has been ticked:

This has arisen from significant changes to the Council's Plans in GESP and Cranbrook

Please return completed form to Democratic Services.

MO COMMENTS:

It is not entirely clear what this proposal form is asking Scrutiny to do. Members should be aware that the Strategic Planning Committee received a report at its meeting 20th October in relation to the 5 year land supply up to March 2020 and also a report on the production of a new local plan. The committee agreed;

'That a further report on timescales be brought back to the December Strategic Planning Committee'

It is understood that the Local Development Scheme (which outlines the documentation and timing for the new Local Plan) will be presented to Strategic Planning Committee in December with, it is anticipated, an onward recommendation to Council for adoption.

In light of this progress, Members will need to determine what Scrutiny would actually be considering and how that will benefit the Council in terms of production of the new Local Plan and, given the timings involved, whether it could be achieved in the time available.