

**BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK WORKING PARTY**

**15TH APRIL 2010**

**LOCAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME 2010 - 2013**

Responsible Portfolio Holder	Councillor Mrs J Dyer
Responsible Director	John Staniland Executive Director – Planning, Regeneration and Housing Services
Non-Key Decision	

**1. SUMMARY**

- 1.1 The Local Development Scheme (LDS) is the project plan which details the documents the Council is currently or going to prepare as part of the Local Development Framework. The LDS includes a three year timetable setting out the various stages each document needs to go through, and when these stages will take place.

**2. RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 That Members agree the revised timetable for plan production and the LDS be submitted to the Government Office for approval.

**3. BACKGROUND**

- 3.1 The planning system requires the publication of the LDS to show how the council intend to progress the LDF over a three year period, the current version of the LDS which was intended to cover the period 2008 -2011 is now considerably out of date due to the delays caused in plan production across the region by the RSS revision. It is hoped this revised version will provide a more accurate timeline for the production of the core strategy than previous versions have.
- 3.2 Since the current planning system was introduced in September 2004 the council has faced many challenges with regards to strategic planning most notably the RSS revision process and the requirement to produce the Longbridge Area Action plan. These amongst other issues have meant in the first few years of operating under this planning system progress on the Core Strategy was limited. More recently the Core Strategy has been able to become the key focus of the Strategic planning team and considerable progress has been made albeit with the backdrop of the RSS revision process behind it, it is hoped that the RSS will be adopted in due course to enable the timetable for plan production outlined in this LDS to take place. Further details on core strategy can be seen elsewhere on the agenda.
- 3.3 The Main changes in the revised LDS relate to timetable changes to the Core Strategy, Town Centre AAP and the Longbridge Area Action Plan. Other

changes have also been included to update elements of the scheme first drafted a number of years ago, and also to explain the joint working arrangements with Redditch on the cross boundary growth.

The tables below and Appendix 1 highlight the revised timetable for the production of the Core Strategy and the Town Centre AAP.

### **Core Strategy**

February - March 2010	Joint consultation with Redditch on cross boundary growth options
November - December 2010	Joint consultation with Redditch on revised Core Strategies
November 2011	Joint Publication of proposed submission documents
February - March 2012	Joint submission to the Secretary of state
May 2012	Pre - Examination Meeting
July 2012	Examination Hearings
October 2012	Inspectors Report
December 2012	Adoption

### **Town Centre AAP**

November - December 2010	Consultation on preferred draft AAP
October 2012	Publication of proposed submission documents

The timetable for the latter stages of the Town Centre AAP are outside of the scope of this document, but based on the same timescales as the Core Strategy adoption would likely be around December 2013, although this could be shortened if the decision was taken to submit the AAP before the receipt of the inspectors report on the Core Strategy.

### **Longbridge AAP**

As the Longbridge AAP was adopted in April 2009 it no longer needs to appear on the timeline for document production, although a section has been included to provide details on the ongoing engagement with Birmingham City Council and the developers on the implementation of the plan.

## **4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 The amount of housing and planning delivery grant the council receives is partly dependant on the progress against the targets in the adopted LDS

## **5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 Section 15 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 requires all local planning to prepare a LDS in accordance with The Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Amendment Regulations 2009

## **6. COUNCIL OBJECTIVES**

6.1 The submission and subsequent publication of the LDS has no direct impact on the council objectives, although the impacts of the Core Strategy and the Town Centre AAP will be significant. Individual reports on these plans will outline the links to the council objectives.

## **7. RISK MANAGEMENT INCLUDING HEALTH AND SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS**

7.1 The main risks associated with the details included in this report are:

The council not having an up to date local development scheme thus receiving a reduced allocation of the housing and planning delivery grant due to not being able to demonstrate effective plan production inline with agreed timetable.

7.2 These risks are being managed as follows:

Risk Register: Planning and Environment  
Key Objective Ref No: 6  
Key Objective: Effective, efficient, and legally compliant Strategic planning Service

## **8. CUSTOMER IMPLICATIONS**

8.1 None

## **9. EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS**

9.1 None

## **10. VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS**

10.1 None

## **11. CLIMATE CHANGE AND CARBON IMPLICATIONS**

11.1 The submission and subsequent publication of the LDS has no direct impact on climate change and carbon reduction although the impacts of the Core Strategy and the Town Centre AAP will be significant. Individual reports on these plans will outline how they address these issues.

## **12. OTHER IMPLICATIONS**

Procurement Issues	None
Personnel Implications	None
Governance/Performance Management	None
Community Safety including Section 17 of Crime and Disorder Act 1998	None
Policy	LDS contains the timetable for future planning policy

	production.
Environmental	None

**13. OTHERS CONSULTED ON THE REPORT**

Portfolio Holder	No
Chief Executive	No
Executive Director – Planning, Regeneration and Housing Services	Yes
Executive Director – Section 51	No
Executive Director and Deputy Chief Executive	No
Director of Policy Performance and Partnerships	No
Head of Planning and Regeneration	No
Head of Resources	No
Head of Legal, Equalities & Democratic Services	No
Corporate Procurement Team	No

**14. WARDS AFFECTED**

All wards

**15. APPENDICIES**

Appendix 1 - Revised LDS plan production timetable  
Appendix 2 - Revised LDS full version

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