
Report to: Council

Date of Meeting: 27 June 2013

Subject: Local Plan for Sefton - Preferred Option Document: **Addendum Note**

Report of: Director Built Environment

Wards Affected: All

Is this a Key Decision? Yes

Is it included in the Forward Plan? Yes

Exempt/Confidential No

Purpose/Summary

This addendum note to the report previously circulated provides details of two minor updates to the Preferred Option Document and requests that they be approved by the Council.

Recommendations to Council:

Recommendations 1, 2 and 4 in the report previously circulated remain unchanged

Recommendation 3 in the report be revised to read as follows:

(3) approve the Preferred Option document for consultation, including a correction to the land proposed for development, south east of Hightown, as set out in section 19 and the plan attached to the report, and the amendments set out in the addendum note

Reasons for the Recommendations:

To enable two minor updates to be incorporated into the Preferred Option Document for public consultation.

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1. Amendments

- 1.1 It is proposed to make two minor updates to the Preferred Option document which is being considered by the Council.

2. Timetable for next stages of preparing the Local Plan

- 2.1 The timetable for the future stages of the Local Plan contained in the report on page 32 and repeated in the Preferred Option Document at page 62 should be further updated to reflect the need for the Local Plan to take account of the latest population and household statistics to be made available during 2014. A revised timetable is attached as Figure 1.

3. Planning for travellers

- 3.1 Under the heading 'Formby area' on page 183, delete sentence:

'Sefton's only site for travellers is in Formby, at Green Lane, and Policy PC3 'Planning for Travellers' allocates an extension to this site as well as setting out the planning criteria for additional sites for travellers elsewhere'.

and replace with:

'Sefton's only existing site for travellers is in Formby, at Broad Lane, and Policy PC3 'Planning for Travellers' sets out the planning criteria for additional provision for travellers'.

- 3.2 The 'Planning for travellers' policy remains unchanged.

Figure 1 The Local Plan – stages of preparation

Timescale	Stage of Local Plan Preparation	Comments
2008 - 2009 Summer 2009	Issues Public consultation on Issues	Information about this consultation can be found on the Local Plan web-site.
2009 - 2012 Summer 2011	Options Public consultation on Options	More information, including about the consultation and the Council's initial responses, can be found on the Local Plan web-site.
2012 - 2013 Summer 2013	Preferred Option Consultation on Preferred Option Document	We are now at this stage. This is the main opportunity to comment on the Local Plan.
August – September 2014	Publication Public consultation (Notification)	The Council's ability to make changes to the Local Plan is more limited at this consultation stage, and must only relate to whether the Plan is considered to be 'sound'.
October – November 2014	Submission Formal submission to the Secretary of State	Submission to the Secretary of State
January 2015	Examination Examination in Public	An independent Inspector will conduct the Examination.
April/ May 2015	Adoption	Council formally adopts the Local Plan, which replaces the Unitary Development Plan (2006).