

Full Council	
Meeting Date	4 December 2024
Report Title	Local Development Scheme autumn 2024
EMT Lead	Emma Wiggins Director of Regeneration and Neighbourhoods
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Classification	Open
Recommendations	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Members of the Council are asked to agree the recommendation of the Policy and Resources Committee. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That the amended revised timetable for Regulation 18 draft Plan consultation commencing in quarter 4 of 2025 and a Regulation 19 pre-submission plan consultation commencing in quarter 2 of 2026 be agreed by Full Council; and, • That the accompanying Local Development Scheme that formally sets out the consultation timetable at Appendix III of this report be agreed by Full Council.

1 Purpose of Report and Executive Summary

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to ask Full Council to agree that the Local Plan Review process be updated to a Regulation 18 draft Plan consultation commencing in quarter 4 of 2025 and a Regulation 19 pre-submission plan consultation commencing in quarter 2 of 2026, and subsequently to recommend the accompanying Local Development Scheme that formally sets out the timetable. The report taken to Policy and Resources committee on 27th November 2024 is provided at Appendix I, and a tabled update that informed the discussion is set out at Appendix II.

2 Background

- 2.1 The discussion at Policy and Resources committee involved the proposed timing of the Regulation 18 draft Plan consultation and the impact of the two planning applications commonly known as Highsted that had been called in by the Secretary of State as set out in the tabled updated paper provided at Appendix II.

2.2 Policy and Resources committee resolved that the amended revised timetable for Regulation 18 draft Plan consultation in quarter 4 of 2025 and a Regulation 19 pre-submission plan consultation in quarter 2 of 2026 be agreed by Full Council and that the Local Development Scheme shown at Appendix I of the report be agreed by Full Council.

3 Proposals

3.1 On 27th November 2024, Policy and Resources committee resolved:

1. Members of the Council are asked to agree the recommendation of the Policy and Resources Committee.
 - That the amended revised timetable for Regulation 18 draft Plan consultation commencing in quarter 4 of 2025 and a Regulation 19 pre-submission plan consultation commencing in quarter 2 of 2026 be agreed by Full Council; and,
 - That the accompanying Local Development Scheme that formally sets out the consultation timetable at Appendix III of this report be agreed by Full Council.

4 Alternative Options Considered and Rejected

4.1 An alternative option was presented to Policy and Resources committee and rejected. The option was to not delay the timetable further due to the Highsted planning applications and to amend the revised timetable for Regulation 18 draft Plan consultation in quarter 2 of 2025 and a Regulation 19 pre-submission plan consultation in quarter 4 of 2025 to allow officer to complete additional work that had been requested by members

5 Consultation Undertaken or Proposed

5.1 Consultation undertaken for the proposed revision to the consultation timetable is set out within the 17th September 2024 PTPWG report and includes the formal recommendation of the working group.

6 Implications

Issue	Implications
Corporate Plan	The proposals in the report align with the following Corporate Plan action: A Local Plan with local needs and capacity at its heart.

Financial, Resource and Property	This report will have no specific budgetary implications.
Legal, Statutory and Procurement	Preparation of a Local Plan is carried out under a national legislative and regulatory framework.
Crime and Disorder	None identified at this stage.
Environment and Climate/Ecological Emergency	The Local Plan will be supported by its own Sustainability Appraisal and Habitats Regulation Assessment at each key stage in decision making.
Health and Wellbeing	None identified at this stage
Safeguarding of Children, Young People and Vulnerable Adults	None identified at this stage.
Risk Management and Health and Safety	None identified at this stage.
Equality and Diversity	None identified at this stage.
Privacy and Data Protection	None identified at this stage.

7 Appendices

- 7.1 Appendix I Local Development Scheme update report to Policy and Resources committee – 27th November 2024.
- 7.2 Appendix II Tabled update paper for Local Development Scheme update report to Policy and Resources committee – 27th November 2024.
- 7.3 Appendix III Proposed Local Development Scheme Autumn 2024.

8 Background Papers

- 8.1 None

