

DECISION ITEM

REPORT OF	MEETING	DATE	ITEM NO
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTORATE	PLANNING COMMITTEE	17 JANUARY 2018	3

SCHEDULE OF PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS TO FYLDE LOCAL PLAN TO 2032

PUBLIC ITEM

This item is for consideration in the public part of the meeting.

SUMMARY

On 9th December 2016 the Local Plan and submission documents were submitted to the Secretary of State for Examination in accordance with the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 Regulations 22(3)(b) and (c).

Three hearing sessions, to consider representations made to the plan, were held on 28-30 March, 20-22 June and 12-13 December 2017. The examination hearings have not been formally closed, but it is not anticipated that any further hearing sessions will be required. The Council will now propose draft modifications to the plan as recommended by the Inspector to make the Local Plan sound. The modifications will be subject to sustainability appraisal and a six week public consultation with any further comments being considered by the Inspector ahead of her issuing a final report which is expected towards the end of May 2018. The plan would then be able to proceed to adoption.

RECOMMENDATION

1. It is recommended that members accept the Schedule of Proposed Main Modifications, Proposed Additional Modifications and Proposed Additional Modifications to the Policies Map, which will then be subject to Sustainability Appraisal and public consultation.

SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS DECISIONS

No decisions on proposed modifications to the Submission Version of the Local Plan to 2032 have been taken previously.

CORPORATE PRIORITIES

Spending your money in the most efficient way to achieve excellent services (Value for Money)	✓
Delivering the services that customers expect of an excellent council (Clean and Green)	✓
Working with all partners (Vibrant Economy)	✓
To make sure Fylde continues to be one of the most desirable places to live (A Great Place to Live)	✓
Promoting Fylde as a great destination to visit (A Great Place to Visit)	✓

REPORT

The Examination of the Fylde Local Plan to 2032 - Proposed Modifications

The Inspector examines the Local Plan as submitted by the Council. However, there are further opportunities to make changes which are recommended by the Inspector, during the Examination process.

Under Section 20(7) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act (2004), as revised by Section 211 of the Localism Act (2011) modifications are either classed as 'main' or 'additional'.

Main Modifications are required to resolve issues in order to make the Local Plan sound (paragraph 182 of the Framework) or to ensure its legal compliance. They involve changes or insertions to policies and text that are essential to enable the Local Plan to be adopted. Main Modifications are therefore significant changes that have an impact on the implementation of policy.

Additional Modifications are of a more minor nature and do not materially affect the policies set out in the Local Plan. Additional modifications mainly relate to clarity in the justifying text, including updated facts/data, or make typographical or grammatical revisions which improve the readability of the Local Plan.

A separate schedule of Proposed Modifications to the Policies Map illustrates modifications that are made to the Policies Map. The Inspector also requested a clearer version of the Housing Trajectory and that has been provided as a separate document.

The Council commenced work on the schedules of proposed recommendations recommended by the Inspector shortly after the second set of hearings in June. The production of the schedules is an iterative process with the Inspector requesting that the draft schedules be submitted to her by 5th December 2017. These schedules were then discussed at the hearings on the 13th December 2017 with the Council sending a 'reworked version' back to the Inspector on the 22nd December 2017. The latest version of the schedules are attached to this Committee Report, they are in draft form as they remain subject to change by the Inspector and public consultation.

Once a consultation version of the Proposed Modifications (Main and Additional) have been agreed with the Inspector they will be sent to Arcadis for sustainability appraisal which is scheduled to take 3 weeks. A six week consultation on the proposed modifications will commence around 8th February and finish around the 22nd March 2018. Responses will then be collated and then sent to the Inspector. The Council does not provide a response at this stage. The Inspector will consider the responses ahead of issuing the final report which will include modifications to the Local Plan.

IMPLICATIONS	
Finance	None
Legal	The final modifications as recommended by the Inspector following the consultation become those recommended under Sections 20(7c) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 as amended by Section 112 Localism Act 2011
Community Safety	None
Human Rights and Equalities	The Local Plan to 2032 has been subject to Equalities Impact Assessment
Sustainability and Environmental Impact	The draft proposed modifications will be subject to Sustainability Appraisal which will be made available as part of the public consultation.
Health & Safety and Risk Management	The Local Plan to 2032 has been subject to Health Impact Assessment, the consultation on the proposed Modifications is part of the process of moving the Local Plan on to adoption which is subject to the Council's Risk Management Procedures.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS		
Name of document	Date	Where available for inspection
Fylde Local Plan Schedule of Proposed Modifications	22 nd December 2017	Planning Policy
Fylde Local Plan Schedule of Additional Modifications	22 nd December 2017	Planning Policy
Fylde Local Plan Schedule of	22 nd December 2017	Planning Policy
Housing Trajectory	22 nd December 2017	Planning Policy

Attached documents:

Schedule of Proposed Main Modifications
Schedule of Additional Modifications
Schedule of Proposed Modifications to the Policies Map
Housing Trajectory